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GRIM PICTURE OF RETREAT FROM HSUCHOW

(From Reuter's Correspondent
on the Shantung Front)

HSUCHOWFU, TO-DAY.

FLYING OVER HSUCHOWFU IN A JAPANESE AEROPLANE, I SAW LARGE FIRES STILL RAGING BUT ALL THE FOREIGN MISSIONS IN THE CITY SEEM TO BE INTACT, WITH THEIR FLAGS CLEARLY VISIBLE FROM THE AIR.

The railway stations are still burning, while fifteen abandoned Chinese trains are lying in the sidings.

Our plane, leaving the city, followed the lines of the Chinese withdrawal, and peering downwards, we could see men fighting, swarming and dying like ants along the dusty roads and green fields while Japanese tanks and cavalry continually harassed the Chinese rearwards.

FLAMING VILLAGES

Dozens of flaming villages could be discerned from the air, set on fire by Japanese bombing when the retreating Chinese endeavoured to halt and obtain shelter under the village walls.

Our machine passed over a large column of Chinese troops marching in formation. Hearing the sound of our plane, they halted and stood motionless in an endeavour to escape attention.

COLUMN SCATTERS

Another column which we passed later, scattered in all directions, throwing themselves headlong into ditches and vainly attempting to bring down our machine with rifle fire.

Later still, a Japanese pursuit plane ominously dashed towards us through the mist but, identifying us, skimmed away.

Down below there seemed to be an endless flow of Japanese columns supported by armies of trucks and tanks, marching forward for another attack in this apparently endless war. — Reuter.

Favourable Turn In Lunghai Railway Battle

Decisions of great importance to China have in the last week been taken in Berlin and communicated to Hankow, the "China Mail" learns from a very reliable source.

Firstly, the German military advisers with the Chinese Government, it is understood, are to be withdrawn from Hankow, where they have been directing Chinese strategy in the hostilities against Japan, and

Secondly, Germany is to cease the export of arms, munitions and aeroplanes to China.

The "China Mail" learns that some of the German military advisers are leaving Hankow within a week.

FAVOURABLE LUNGHAI TURN

Hankow, To-day.

A rapid succession of important strokes against Japanese units at several points along the railway have now removed the threat along the Lunghai line between Kweiteh and Lanfeng.

The recapture of Ifeng, five kilometres east of Lanfeng, is confirmed by a telephonic message from the front. The majority of the Japanese troops holding the station were slain during the Chinese assault, while the remnants scattered to the northwest and northeast.

Peichieh, another important point thirty miles east of Kaifeng, was recaptured at two o'clock yesterday afternoon after an encounter in which the Japanese lost several hundred men.

THREAT REMOVED

With the return to Chinese hands of Peichieh, the threat to Kaifeng has been removed.

Disconnected detachments of the Japanese army, are being vigorously attacked in the vicinity of Neihwang, Yehchnikang and Niutichuan, which have all been retaken.

West of Lanfeng, Japanese flying detachments succeeded in reaching Hinglung and Luwang stations yesterday but were later driven back. — Central News.

ARMY STATEMENT

Army Headquarters has issued the following communique:

"Conforming to the policy of holding positions only so long as strategically worth while, Hsuehchow was given up on the 20th with
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SUDETENS' RECALCITRANT ATTITUDE

Prague, To-day.

The Sudeten German Party, at a meeting last night, protested against the measures taken by the Government in the Sudeten districts.

They declare these measures are contrary to the constitution, as there has been no sign whatever of any revolt or resistance.

The Sudetens also objected to the British attitude, which took it for granted that the Czech Government intended to meet all legitimate demands of the Sudeten Germans.

The party saw no possibility of entering into negotiations with the Government until the guarantees previously asked, are given. — Reuter.

BRIDGE INCIDENT STATEMENT

Prague, To-day.

It is semi-officially stated that the official enquiry in regard to the bridge incident (when Czech soldiers were alleged to have mined a bridge on the German frontier), showed that the Czech soldiers merely tried to cross the

bridge to German territory.

The soldiers, it is stated, fled when they saw German customs officers.

The Czech Foreign Minister, Dr. Krofta, has apologised to the German Minister in Prague for the deplorable incident. — Reuter.

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Paris Getting Royalty Conscious

Social activities are making Parisiennes feel even more than usually clothes-conscious in preparation for the State visit of the King and Queen at the end of June. So I am told by certain of the great dress-makers. There are rumours from Paris of balls being organised to herald this great event. Fashion is already developing on delightful lines, for there is a tendency to adopt the romantic Winterhalter outline in black as well as cyclamen-coloured net.

Some women are more attracted by Empire gowns, as, for instance, a graceful white rosalba with high-waisted corsage of black velvet and two velvet sash lengths incrustated into the skirt.

White is being worn and emphasised by ermine wraps of all lengths and hip-length jackets of white fox. Molyneux is responsible for the new smart ermine reefers.

Rivals to these fur wraps are Chanel's evening coats, tailored from white or red marabout, with chevron markings in the



The piquant cap and hat with upturned brim—both fashionable modes of the moment—demand a somewhat stiffly set coiffure.

Well-set curls, brushed upwards to reveal the ear, would frame attractively a little cap or nestle cosily beneath the popular "sailor."

manner of ermine. Schiaparelli's evening cape of black fox has

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The question of the correct flowers to be worn by guests at a wedding reception has been the subject of several letters received recently from readers of the Woman's Page.

At present women are choosing lilies of the valley. Later some of them like to wear a single rose or bud in a colour to tone with their ensembles.

Carrations, either pink or white, or of the new striped variety, again chosen to tone with the outfit, are always right, but there is still nothing smarter than a single white gardenia worn with an all-black or navy dress and coat.

been a favourite, worn with a slender gown of black and rose printed crepe. Another one at full length is of stiff turquoise blue satin embroidered with gold. This cape and another of "shocking" pink satin forming three deep flounces in length to ground bring striking contrasts to black gowns.

New colours featured for evening gowns are light blue and fuchsia contrasts or fuchsia and cyclamen, as well as dusty pink and more vivid candy shades. Drop shoulders wend their way into evening functions. They have an extremely dainty air in pastel-coloured chiffons with fine spangled embroideries. This type of gown, in all probability, will lead up to Empire and Directoire trends in organza, plain and sprigged muslin, for wear during the Big Week in Paris.

EVENING HEADDRESSES

To Match Necklaces And Ear Clips



The importance of headdresses for evening wear this season cannot be exaggerated. A headdress completes most of Chanel's evening designs. The picture shows a spray of flowers—tinted stones in a gold setting—fixed on a double white faille bow.

Sets of evening jewellery—comprising a headdress, necklace and ear-clips—are favoured. A design of enamelled flower heads set in a gold frame is attractive. They are used in a conventional "string" for the necklace with a floral motif finish. A single flower covers the lobe of each ear.

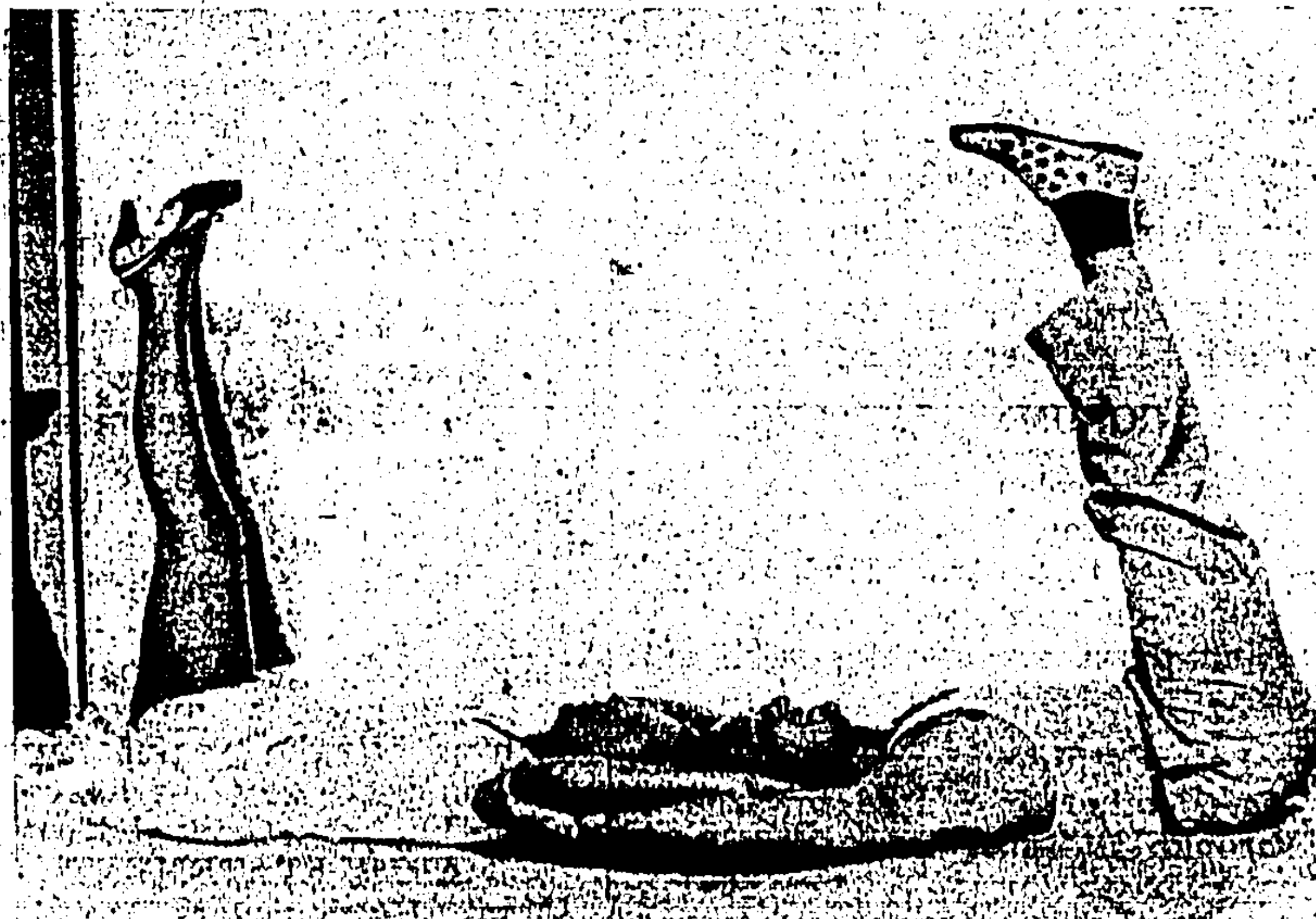
COCKTAIL HOUR HAT FASHIONS

Some amusing new hat fashions were worn by guests at a cocktail hour committee meeting held at Lord Crawford's house in London.

A big bow of net was tied, in plantation style, at the front of a little black skull cap. A wide-brimmed hat turned back off the face with a cyclamen pink chiffon

scarf tied at the side was worn by Miss Gloria Gordon.

Lady Elmley, in a silver fox cape, had chosen a little black pillbox surrounded with a green band, which had a tall feather shooting up at the side. A little high off-the-face cap, with a veil falling down at the back, was worn by Lady Mary Manningham-Buller.



NATALIE GARSON, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer actress, gets expert advice on keeping in condition from Donald Loomis, Studio Physical Director. Miss Natalie Garson illustrates a very effective abdominal reducing routine—to be done with a partner.

FASHIONS OF THE STARS



FASHIONS FOR A SCREEN VAMP. Attractive fashions designed to beguile the unwary undergraduate are Rene Hubert's out-fittings for Vivien Leigh's role in "A Yank at Oxford." Irresistible is Vivien in this cream serge long coat, stitched with nigger-brown silk and fastened with three nigger-brown grained wood buckles. It is worn over an under-dress of nigger-brown crepe-de-chine, tied with a bow at the neck. Bag, gloves and shoes are in nigger suede, shoes being trimmed with corded silk. Hat is in cream felt, with nigger brown stitching.



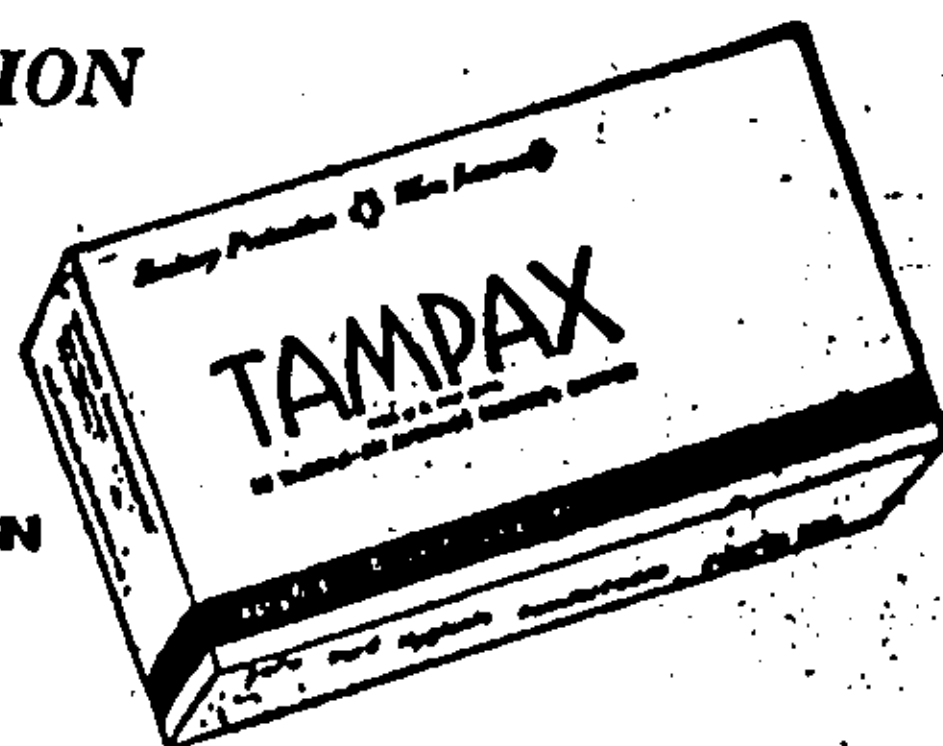
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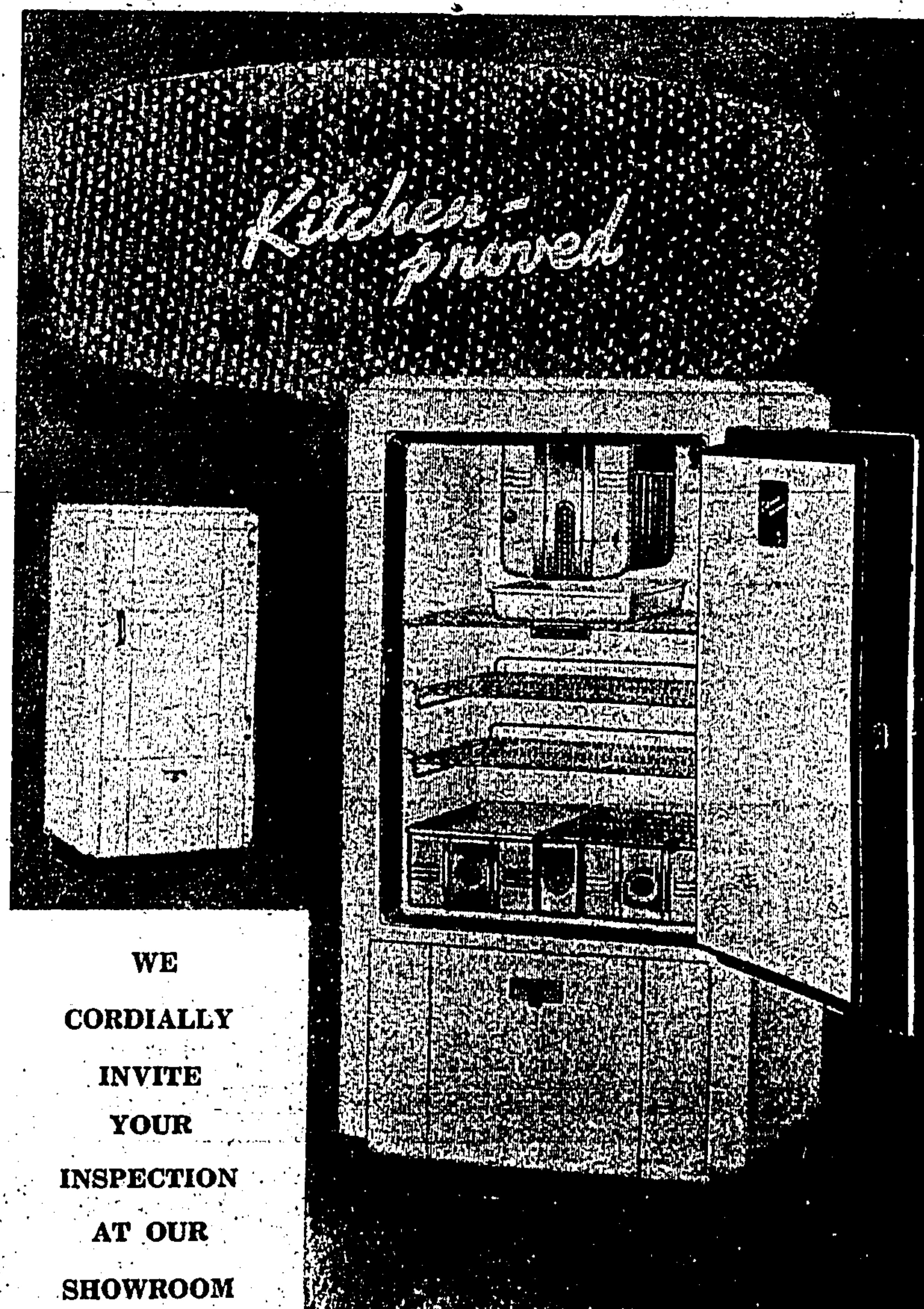
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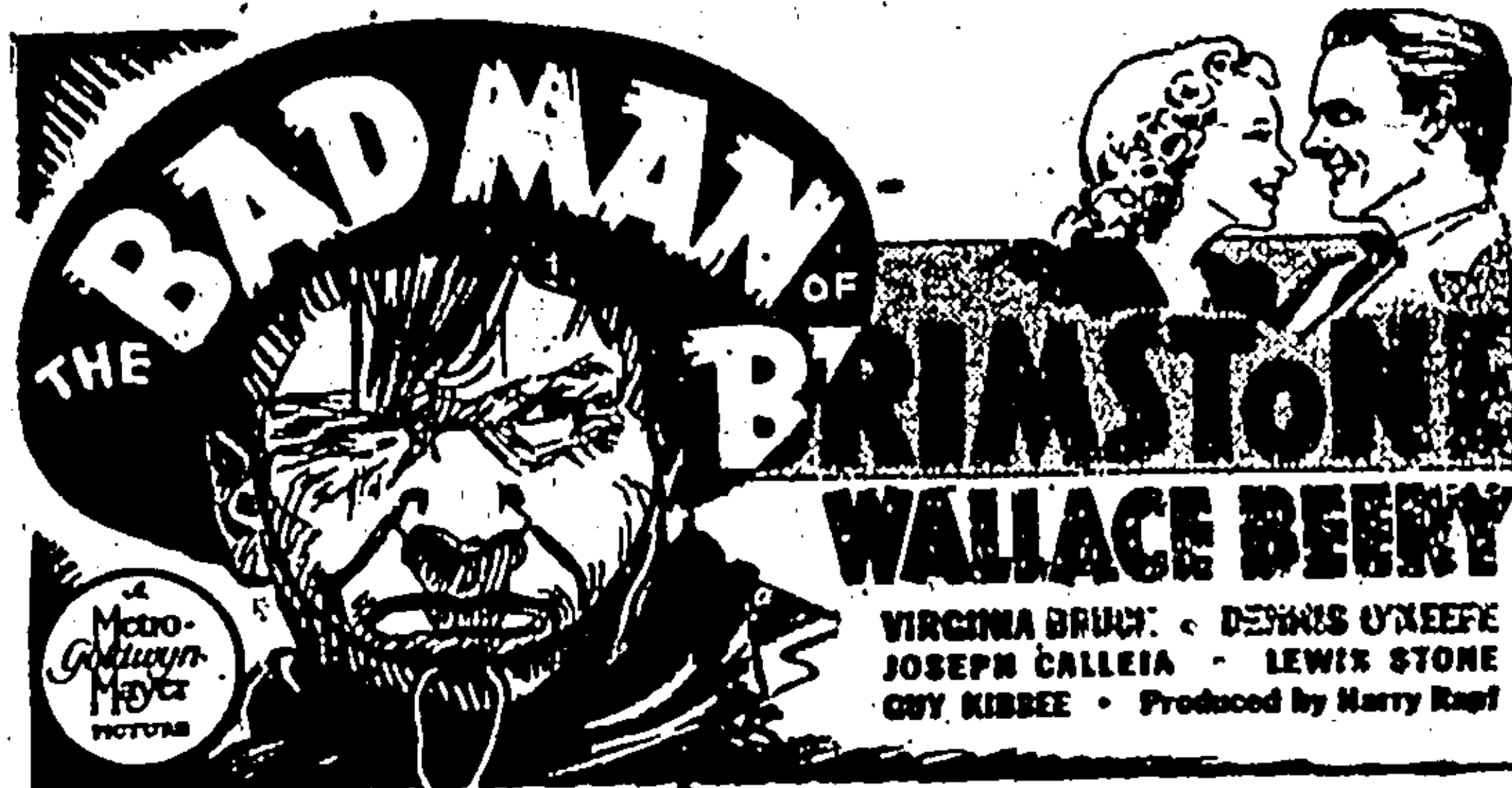
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CAIRN MEMORIAL TO LATE LORD SNOWDEN

London, To-day.

A memorial to the late Lord Snowden in the form of a cairn erected on Ickneshaw Moor near his birthplace in Yorkshire was unveiled yesterday afternoon in the presence of more than 2,000 people from his own and neighbouring vil-

lages who had climbed by devious ways to the lonely eminence. Lord Sankey spoke in praise of the life and character of the former Labour leader and Chancellor of the Exchequer.—British Wireless.

Tseng Mei, a married woman, was this morning fined \$2,000 or six months at the Central Magistracy, for possession of 2,000 heroin pills, found in her hand bag when she was arrested in Hillier Street.

Rents Petition Presented To H.E. The Governor

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- (C) TO CONCEDE SUCH OTHER AND URGENT RELIEF AS YOUR EXCELLENCY MAY BE ADVISED SHOULD BE GRANTED AND AS THE PREVAILING CONDITIONS RENDER NECESSARY.

These are the concluding sentences of a petition sent to H. E. the Governor on Friday by Mr. J. P. Braga with 1,344 signatures.

In a covering letter, Mr. Braga writes to the Colonial Secretary: **URGENCY OF MATTER**

Sir,—I have the honour to enclose herewith a petition, in triplicate, on the housing problem in Hong Kong, addressed by 1,344 residents to His Excellency the Governor, praying for relief from the prevailing conditions which have been brought about by the continuous influx of refugees into the Colony during the past few months.

2. I shall esteem it a favour if you will be so kind as to forward the petition to His Excellency at your early convenience.

3. Had it not been for the fact that the urgency of the matter calls for an early submission of the petitioners' representations to His Excellency, a much larger number of signatures might have been obtained. It was with a view to obviating any delay that I and my co-signatories have deemed it expedient to forward the petition with the number of signatures which it bears, all of which were obtained during the past three days.

POSITION BECOMING DESPERATE

The petitioner draws attention to the fact that during the past three months attention has been called to the prevailing conditions in the columns of the local newspapers, both English and Chinese; and on the 9th March, 1938, Your Excellency appointed a Commission, which has since been known as the "Rents Commission," to inquire into and report upon the situation. The Rents Commission in due course presented its report; but its findings, in the humble opinion of your petitioners, did not provide a solution to the difficulties experienced by tenants.

"The position is rapidly becoming desperate. The law as it stands permits eviction of tenants. There have been several cases in the Courts, and there are more to come. Residents of long standing in the Colony are being compelled to quit their homes, and no alternative accommodation is available. Your petitioners feel that Government should no longer delay the adoption of adequate measures to control the situation before more serious injury is inflicted upon those residents of the Colony who have been, and others who are about to become, sufferers from the consequences of excessive rents and inescapable evictions."

HOUSE-BREAKING

Sentence of five months' hard labour was this morning imposed on Chan Foo, for house breaking at No 181 Gloucester Road, 1st floor.

Sergeant Bentley said defendant attempted to break into the house with an iron bar.

SMALLPOX CASE IN MATSHED YESTERDAY

Tsun Mok-yuen, was removed yesterday to the Infectious Hospital suffering from small pox. He was found sleeping in a matshed at Repulse Bay by the Rev. A. J. Martin

CHOLERA IN HANOI

Two Kowloon cases of smallpox were reported to the Medical Department during the week-end. There were also two Victoria cases of diphtheria and two cases of typhoid.

The Far Eastern health bulletin reveals a serious outbreak of cholera in Hanoi, where 58 cases were recorded last week.

In Shanghai, 94 cases of typhus occurred.

OCCASIONAL RAIN

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is situated over the Pacific to the east of Japan and a depression is moving eastward over South Japan. Pressure distribution over China is uncertain, but weak anticyclonic conditions are indicated.

Local forecast:—E. and S. E. winds, moderate; cloudy, occasional rain.

MURDER ON WARSHIP

Edwin Moreland Dwyer, a seaman of H. M. S. Dorsetshire, again appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy, charged with the murder of Leading Seaman Robert Dickenson, on the ship between Sydney and Cairns, Australia.

Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones appeared for the defendant.

The case was adjourned for further week.

GAMBLING RAID

At the Central Magistracy this morning, Chan Sing, was fined \$100, and Fok Chuk \$50 for keeping a gambling house at No. 136, Wellington Street, where the game of Tse Tam was played.

Of the sum of \$42.95 table money picked up, \$2.95 was ordered to be placed in the Poor Box and the balance credited to the General Revenue of the Colony.

BRITISH MISSIONARY HERO OF AMBUSH BY CHINESE GUERILLAS

Peiping, To-day.

The great personal heroism of a British missionary, Dr. H. G. Wyatt, who, together with Miss Glasby, was killed by a Chinese mobile unit in North Shansi recently, has been disclosed with confirmation of the earlier reports of their death.

A party of five, consisting of Dr. Wyatt, Miss Glasby, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper and a Chinese chauffeur, left Taiyuanfu by car.

They were at a point 80 miles north of Taiyuan when a bullet from the hillside smashed the chauffeur's wrist.

The car stopped, Dr. Wyatt leapt out, tore the British flag from the car and waved it at the attackers who continued to pour in a heavy fire.

Dr. Wyatt faced the furious fusillade and ran towards the attackers, waving the flag, but the fire increased and he returned, shouting to his companions to scatter and take shelter.

MISS GLASBY'S DEATH

Miss Glasby was killed as she sat in the car, while Mr. and Mrs. Jasper took refuge underneath the vehicle.

Dr. Wyatt hoisted the unconscious chauffeur across his shoulder and ran across the bullet-swept road for the ditch but was shot as he fell in. Nevertheless he continued to feebly wave the Union Jack till he died.

A MISTAKE

The Chinese captured Mr. and Mrs. Jasper and apologised when they found they were British, stating they had fired on the car in the belief that it was Japanese. They had not recognised the British flag, they claimed.

The men provided Mr. and Mrs. Jasper with food and mules on which they rode 80 miles through the mountains back to Taiyuanfu. —Reuter.

NEW COLOURS FOR GRENADIERS

London, To-day.

The King and Queen who returned south on Friday evening after a strenuous four-day tour of Lancashire spent a restful week-end at the Royal Lodge Windsor Great Park.

On Wednesday, in the gardens of Buckingham Palace, the King will present new Colours to the Second Battalion, Grenadier Guards. —British Wireless.

A.R.P. AT HOME

London, To-day.

The Home Office has prepared a new scheme for increasing the number of instructors qualified to train Air Raid Precautions volunteers. With the approval of the Home Office, the Institution of Civil Engineers has appointed a Committee to compile technical information on air raid precautions for the use of its members. —British Wireless.

DANISH EXPLORER'S CONFIRMATION

Copenhagen, Yesterday.

The Danish Arctic explorer, Dr. Lauge-Koch, who returned here yesterday, stated in an interview with Trans-Ocean's representative that certain theories advanced by the American explorer, Robert Peary, who discovered the North Pole in 1906, have now been confirmed.

After recalling that three Danish Arctic expeditions those of 1907, led by Mylius Erichsen, of 1910 led by Knud Rasmussen and Kreuchen, of 1918 led by Rasmussen and Lauge-Koch himself—had failed to find any trace of Peary's hypothetical Polar channel, and that the American Senate had consequently rejected the Polar map based on that hypothesis, Dr. Lauge-Koch said that in the course of his recent Arctic flight he had been able to ascertain that Peary was nevertheless right.

Dr. Lauge-Koch added that it gave him much satisfaction to have established this fact.

He confirmed that as already reported the so-called Fata Morgana Islands do not exist, and stated that he would return to Greenland in July.

His last flight had been over a distance of 10,690 kilometres. —Trans-Ocean.

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Canton, To-day.

The track near Wanglik Station on the Canton-Kowloon Line was badly damaged yesterday when invading planes dropped their missiles in that area.

The express train for Kowloon was held up for many hours, while repair gangs worked feverishly.

Our Own Correspondent. It is learned locally that the express did not arrive in Kowloon until 1.45 a.m. to-day.

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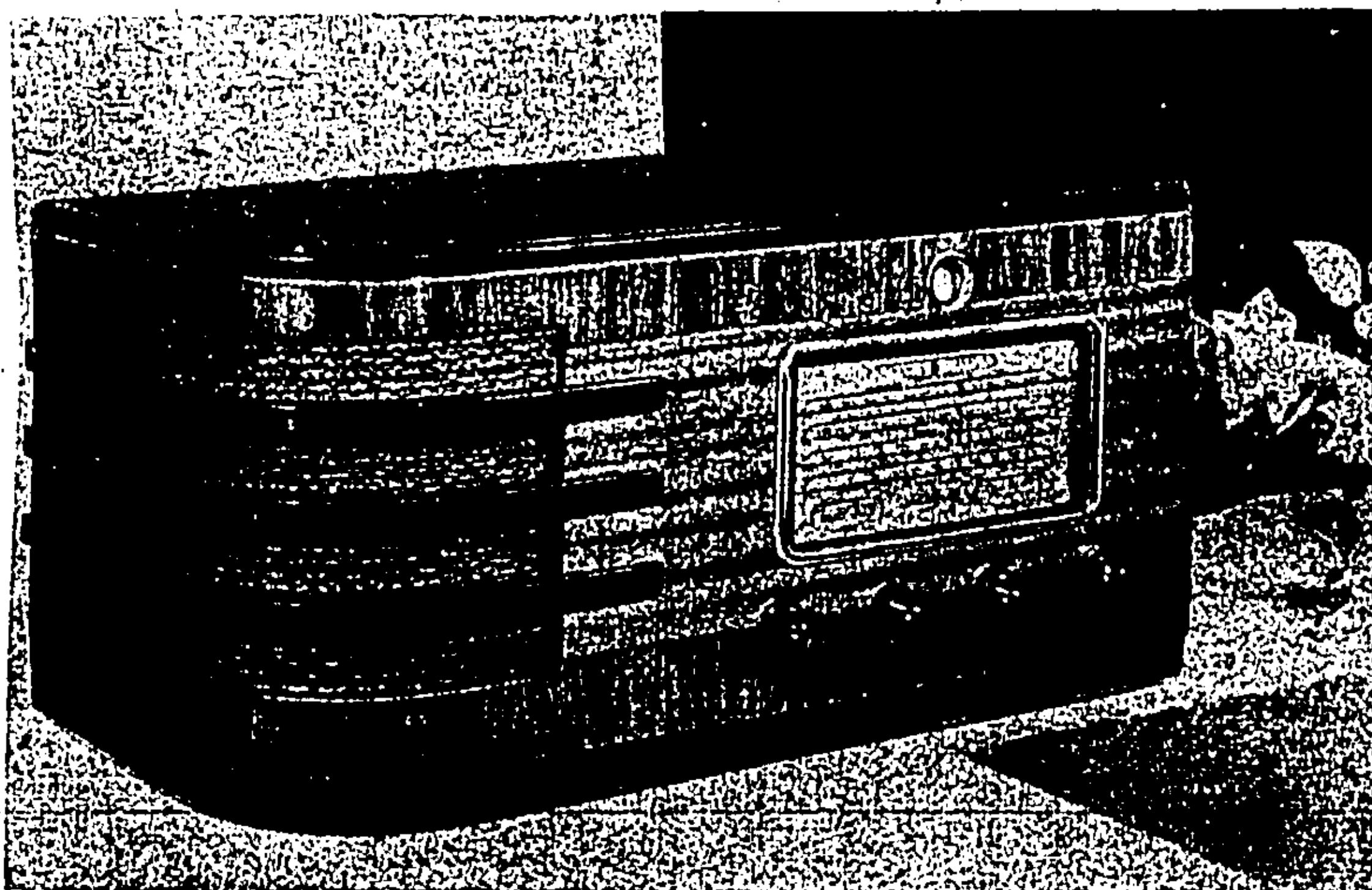


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POLAND DISPLEASED

Warsaw, To-day.

The action of the Czech Government in calling up army reservists has thrown the inhabitants of Teschener territory near the Czechoslovakian frontier into a state of consternation, according to an official Polish statement.

The Czech frontier, it is declared, here is strongly occupied by Czech military patrols. In connection with this concentration, the Polish

Government has instructed its Minister in Prague to ask the Czech Government the reason that has induced it to take this step.

Incidentally official quarters here have reaffirmed the statement made by the Polish Ambassador in London to the effect that there is no truth in the rumours about concentration of Polish troops along the Czechoslovakian frontier.—Trans-Ocean.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIAN ELECTIONS PASS OFF IN CALMER ATMOSPHERE

Prague, To-day.

The municipal elections passed off in complete calm and not a single incident is reported. There was no sign of nervousness among the people. There was unusual activity outside the Prague barracks, however, with reservists who were called up on Saturday still arriving and crowds of womenfolk calling to take tearful farewells.

Outside one barracks was a long column of motor-lorries requisitioned from tradesmen.

The political committee of the Sudeten Deutsche has issued a communique rejecting the official Czech account of the incident at Eger on Saturday, when a Czech policeman fired and killed two Germans on a motor-cycle, allegedly because they refused to halt when summoned.

The communique says that a very strong protest will be delivered to competent circles against the account.—Reuter.

MAINTENANCE OF ORDER

Berlin, To-day.

Agreement that the Sudetens take over maintenance of order in Sudeten districts, is reported to have been reached yesterday between Dr. Hodza, the Czech Premier, and Herr Henlein's representative, Herr Frank.

The latter again called on Dr. Hodza in the morning and complained that he was being impeded by the continual interruption of telephones and by the fact that armed Czech National Guards were patrolling the streets of Sudeten towns.

Herr Frank also complained that Czech National armed guards were called up.

It is understood that Dr. Hodza refused at present to withdraw the guard but promised to meet the Sudeten requests.—Reuter.

MORE ELECTIONS

The elections will take place on three separate days — yesterday, May 29 and a day in the beginning of June.

Yesterday's elections were held in Prague and 177 electoral districts in Bohemia, Moravia and Slovakia, including both Czech and Sudeten German districts.

In 77 districts candidates were returned unopposed.

The German Social Democratic Party is the only German party opposing the coalition parties under Henlein.

In the German towns, the German democratic bloc (all opponents of Henlein's party) got 25 per cent. fewer votes than in the previous elections.—Reuter.

SHOCKS FOR THE SUDETENS

Prague, To-day.

Herr Henlein's Sudeten Party increased its poll in yesterday's municipal elections almost everywhere but not in proportion to its increase in membership.

In other words, their poll yesterday was less than the combined votes at the last elections of their party and the German Agrarian and Activist parties, five.—Trans-Ocean.

DEMARCHES IN PRAGUE

London, To-day.

It is learnt from authoritative sources that pursuant to the endeavours to bring about an improvement of the present situation, the British and French Governments acting independently of each other have made urgent representations in Prague with the view to reaching a pacific settlement of the Sudeten German question.—Trans-Ocean.

which are now amalgamated with them.

There was a decline in votes for the German Social-Democratic Party.

On the other hand, the Czech National-Socialist Party, a Conservative organisation, and the Czech Social-Democratic Party are described as winning all along the line in Czech towns.—Reuter.

FRENCH INTEREST

Paris, To-day.

The French Government is following developments in Czechoslovakia with the closest attention, according to the "Petit Parisien," which usually serves as the mouth-piece of the Quai d'Orsay.

The paper stresses that both the French and British Governments are endeavouring to prevent conflict developing out of the recent incidents.

France, says the paper, unceasingly gives counsels of moderation to Czechoslovakia, with whom she is united by ties of friendship.

The paper points out that should it be proved that subaltern officials had committed mistakes it would be incumbent on the Czechoslovak Government to take disciplinary measures against them without delay.—Trans-Ocean.

CZECH CABINET DISCUSSIONS

Prague, To-day.

The Cabinet Council, with President Benes in the chair, lasted till the early hours of yesterday morning without, however, reaching any decisions.

Political circles believe that efforts were made to settle divergencies which have arisen between President Benes and Premier Hodza but apparently without success.

It is said in these circles that Dr. Hodza, in the interest of peaceful development of the situation, would be inclined to make far-reaching concessions to the Sudeten German party but that President Benes considers such concessions excessive.—Trans-Ocean.

PARIS CALM AND COLLECTED

Italy Declines To Comment On Developments

France Ready To Fulfil Treaty Obligations

Paris, To-day.

Paris last night was calm, and it was felt that everything possible to prevent the crisis taking a more serious turn had been done.

France has made it clear that she intends to fulfil her obligations to Czecho-Slovakia, and the Soviet has indicated her attitude in the same way, while Great Britain has shown her concern for the maintenance of peace in Central Europe by making three demarches in Berlin and one in Prague within the past 48 hours.

For this reason, it has not been thought necessary to call a meeting of the Cabinet.

The situation was felt last evening on all hands to be somewhat easier.—Reuter.

ITALY SILENT

Rome, To-day.

No indication is given in authoritative quarters regarding the Italian attitude towards events in Czecho-Slovakia.

The Italian Government is paying close attention to the situation, the gravity of which is fully realised by the man in the street.

Authoritative circles, however, repeat "Czecho-Slovakia is not our affair." — Reuter.

AMERICA WATCHING ANXIOUSLY

New York, To-day.

The United States and Canada are anxiously watching the European crisis.

All newspapers report developments in Europe in detail spread out on the front pages with streamer headings. — Reuter.

PROTEST LODGED BY SUDETENS

Prague, To-day.

The Sudeten German party announces that it has lodged a protest with the competent authorities against reports published by the Czecho-Slovak press bureau concerning the recent events in the Sudeten area.

A statement issued by party headquarters stresses the impossibility of publishing the truth about the shooting of the two party members, Boehme and Hofmann, at Eger, as it has been ascertained by the party deputy, Doctor Fritz Koellner, as a result of his investigations on the spot.

The statement declares that the party rejects the official report on the subject since it is contrary to the truth, and that it has addressed a vigorous protest to the Government against such distortion of facts.—Trans-Ocean.

CZECH TROOPS ALLEGEDLY CROSS BORDER ON EXPLOIT

Berlin, To-day.

Czech soldiers are reported to have crossed into German territory yesterday in an attempt to mine a bridge.

According to a German report, at various places under the bridge 20 lbs. of explosive were placed in containers of one lb. each.

The report adds that the attempt was discovered through the watchfulness of two German frontier guards at whose arrival the Czech soldiers fled over the border.

The bridge connects Bernhartsthal, on German territory, with Czecho-Slovakia, over the River Thaya. — Reuter.

IN LOWER AUSTRIA

Berlin, To-day.

A frontier incident in which a Czechoslovakian soldier attempted on Saturday to blow up a bridge situated on the German side of the frontier, separating lower Austria and Moravia, is reported yesterday evening by a semi-official German agency.

"According to the despatch received from the gendarmerie station in Mistelbach" the report says, "ten Czecho-Slovakian soldiers made an attempt between noon and two o'clock on Saturday afternoon to blow up the wooden bridge which is situated on German territory and carries the road leading from Bernhartsthal. Twenty pounds of Protulin in cans, each containing one pound, were deposited at the various parts of the bridge.

STILL MOUNTED

The explosive had already been connected up with a fuse. The outrage was prevented by the vigilance of two German frontier officials upon whose appearance the Czech soldiers took to flight. The explosive charge is still mounted on the bridge. — Trans-Ocean.

DR. HODZA SEES SUDETEN LEADERS

Prague, To-day.
The Premier, Dr. Milan Hodza, yesterday received the Sudeten German leaders.
It is understood that the conversations, which lasted only a few minutes, dealt with administrative questions.—Reuter.

RESULTS OF ELECTION

Prague, To-day.

Results of the municipal elections in Czecho-Slovakia now received, concern, in the main, big German towns.

In the total of 33 municipalities where counting has been completed, the Sudeten German Party received 84,102 votes. The German Social Democrats received 10,808 votes.

All other German Parties have been assimilated by the Sudeten German Party. This result compares with 58,221 votes obtained by the Sudeten German Party in their towns at the last Parliamentary elections in the year 1935. The Communists polled 4,266 and the Czech Parties 17,892.

The bulk of the elections, however, will be held on May 29 and June 12.—Trans-Ocean.

POLISH DENIAL

London, To-day.

The Polish Embassy here has denied the rumours about concentration of Polish troops on the Czechoslovakian frontier. It is also denied that Marshal Rydz-Smigly has left for the Polish-Czech frontier.—Trans-Ocean.

PRES. BENES MAKES APPEAL FOR CALM

Prague, To-day.

The appeal for calm made by President Benes and the measures taken by the Ministry of War are prominently featured by the entire press here.

The organ of the Czech Agrarians, "Venkov," which is closely connected with Premier Hodza, emphasises the importance of the President's appeal, and at the same time demands that the Government should have the courage to tell the truth to its own followers.

If, says the paper, the political leaders of the country had been more courageous, the internal and external situation of Czechoslovakia would be better to-day.

The paper concludes:

"The issues at stake for ourselves and the world are peace and security. We are struggling for peace and security and this struggle demands sacrifices on our part.—Trans-Ocean.

SUDETEN PAPERS CENSORED

Prague, To-day.

The censors rendered several articles and news items illegible in Sunday's issue of the Sudeten German party organ "Die Zeit." In addition a sentence in the notice announcing the death of the two Sudeten Germans killed at Eger was obliterated.—Trans-Ocean.

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I Would Like To Slap These Brides!

There are five of them—five types of bride whom I should like to put over my knee and slap.

Unfortunately, they are fairly common. Much too common. They are the brides who in one way or another don't play the game. Here they are:

The Martyr Bride: The poet Milton invented the phrase, "espoused saint." Some modern brides include the tag in their trousseaux.

They don't "take the veil." They take the halo.

A young man once invited me to officiate at his wedding. And, as young men will, he told me all about his Phyllis.

But when he mentioned that she was an only child; that the occasionally suffered from "nerves," that her mother was concerned about the raw climate of the rough industrial North where they proposed to live—a still small voice warned me about Phyllis!

The wedding was a slap-up affair. Phyllis, clad in the sveltest of ivory satin creations, was led to the slaughter by mamma in tears and black lace.

Phyllis wept. Mamma wept some more.

The upshot of it was that four days of the honeymoon were spent at Torquay—the remainder with Phyllis's mother.

For three years Phyllis has breakfasted in bed. She's spent every week-end at her mother's home, except when mamma has paid her a visit.

She's had maids and dogs and cars and alterations and everything else a wife could desire but not deserve.

And yet she can't settle! Do you wonder?

There ought to be a Public Nuisance Department to take care of people like Phyllis!

The Bride Who Gets A Lad "Into Trouble": She gets the sympathy. If he marries her, the most he can expect is mild approbation for doing "the right thing."

Yet he deserves the sympathy, poor devil! Both then and afterwards.

Time and again young couples confront me on my doorstep. They have come to put up the banns.

1. She lets the boy get her "into trouble," forces marriage

2. She turns a roving eye elsewhere—after the honeymoon

3. She goes into hysterics at the thought of having a baby

Their faces tell me how it is with them. These things happen.

But when the girl takes charge like a showman with a performing bear while the lad looks miserable, then I could slap her.

Have you read Hardy's "Jude the Obscure"? Arabella caught Jude that way. It's quite a "racket."

It happens like this. A young lad gets a job away from home. In the first flight of independence he meets a girl old enough to be his big sister.

Before he knows where he is, she has inflamed him, and a "forced" marriage looms ahead. She hauls him off to the registrar or the par-

son, and by the time he comes of age he is the father of an unwanted family and the husband of a woman with whom he has nothing in common.

And so to separation, divorce—or a life of frustration and bitterness.

When the man is "old enough to know better," and the girl is young and babyfaced, it looks a clear case of injured innocence. But don't be too sure!

In these days of sex equality the Victorian heroine is a back number.

Your baby vamp looks guileless, but the odds are she learnt all about sex appeal and what our parents called "the facts of life" long before she left the schoolroom.

As somebody aptly put it, no girl who is determined and still conscious need suffer this particular calamity.

Some time ago a man of forty "had" to marry a girl of eighteen. Through the scandal he lost his job in a solicitor's office and has since been sweeping the roads.

Then, after the birth of the child, his wife, in one of their frequent quarrels, admitted that he was not the father!

And they say the woman always pays!

The Bride Who Marries A Purse.—He may have a face like a fruit salad, a figure like Epstein's "Genesis," and as much sex appeal as a jelly fish—but if all's right with his bank balance, she'll marry him. That's the figure that counts!

It's the kind of marriage that buys divorce lawyers their mousines.

You might think it a sexless business proposition. You'd be wrong.

It is by no means your cold, aloof beauty who marries for money. More often it is the hot-head.

But after a honeymoon which persuades her probably obese and elderly spouse that he is first cousin to Adonis, she turns a roving eye elsewhere. And he is usually sap enough to finance her amorous adventures under his dotting nose.

PEIPING JAPS. CELEBRATE HSUCHOW FALL

PEIPING, TO-DAY.

JAPANESE RESIDENTS IN PEIPING, NUMBERING OVER 10,000, CELEBRATED THE FALL OF HSUCHOW YESTERDAY.

All Chinese in primary and secondary schools were required to attend mass meetings at which political speeches were made.

Seven Chinese bands were hired for the occasion and paraded the streets playing martial music.

After the mass meeting the students marched in procession through the streets.

Japanese shops are displaying lighted signs alleging that the Chiang Kai-shek Government has fallen.—Reuter.

SCIENCE MUSEUM NEEDING EXPANSION

London, To-day.

The annual report on the Science Museum at South Kensington, by the Advisory Council, emphasises the urgency of reconstruction and extension owing to increasing demands on space reflecting the growth and progress of science over the past quarter of a century.

For example the mechanisation of farming requires extensive exhibits of the new and the recently superseded implements. The popularity of the Museum is well maintained. The number of visitors last year was 1,271,599.—British Wireless.

B.E.F. MEMORIAL AT BOULOGNE

London, To-day.

As the royal yacht on which the King and Queen will be crossing the Channel to France on their State Visit steams into Boulogne on June 28, past Britannia Memorial which commemorates the landing of the British Expeditionary Force in August, 1914, it will be unveiled by Lord Cava on behalf of the British Army.—British Wireless.

It was announced this morning that the Sheungshui frontier road has been closed.

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IMPORTANT STATIONS RETAKEN IN FURIOUS ASSAULTS

Lanfeng, To-day.

Fresh Chinese units, clashing with 2,000 Japanese equipped with modern weapons, routed the invaders after an all night engagement east of Kweiteh last night.

NIUTICHWAN, A SMALL VILLAGE EAST OF KWEITEH, HAS RETURNED TO CHINESE HANDS AFTER THE FAILURE OF A FRESH JAPANESE COUNTER-ATTACK LAST NIGHT.

Chinese troops have now surrounded the invaders in the vicinity of Weilou, to the south of the railway line.

According to a telephonic message from the front, the Chinese army, after recapturing Ifeng station, have now advanced to Tung-kangtow and Taying where fierce fighting is raging.—Central News.

JAPANESE REPORTS

Shanghai, To-day.

Lanfeng, half way between Kai-feng and Kweiteh, and described as the key to Kweiteh, is on the verge of being recaptured, state Japanese despatches from the front, following a combined drive southward from the Yellow River bend and a circular move by a Japanese flying column, which outflanked the Chinese troops in the Kweiteh area.

More than 10,000 Chinese troops, including several officers, have surrendered to the Japanese since the fall of Hsuehchowfu, the despatches add.

FATE IN BALANCE

Reports state that the Chinese trapped east of Hsuehchow continue to fight in an effort to drive their way through the Japanese cordon to their comrades east of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

Although small numbers have succeeded in getting through the fate of the majority of the Chinese is still in the balance.—Reuter.

ANXIETY ALLAYED

Hankow, To-day.

Anxiety for the fate of the Chinese forces defending the Hsuehchow front who were ordered to retreat, has been allayed by an official communique of the Military Affairs Commission which states that the various units withdrawn have all arrived safely in their new positions.

These units, the communique states, are now ready for fresh operations against the invaders.

When withdrawing from their original line, the communique announces, some of the units in clever sorties smashed detachments of the Japanese forces, and achieved "unexpected military success."—Central News.

LIUAN BOMBED

Shanghai, To-day.

Liuan was bombed yesterday by a squadron of Japanese planes.

It is reported here that the Japanese are forcing Chinese prisoners to work as sappers, repairing bridges and railway tracks in southern Shantung, along the Tientsin-Pukow Line and in the Grand Canal area.—Our Own Correspondent.

PASSENGER AIRCRAFT CRASHES

Rio de Janeiro, To-day.

Six, including Senor Cardoso, Minister of Justice in Rio Grande de Sul state, are reported to have perished when a passenger plane overturned in the sea near Santos yesterday.

Ten others were saved, including the nephew of the President of Brazil.—Reuter.

BRITISH ATTITUDE MADE CLEAR

London, To-day.

A semi-official statement by the British Government states:—

The Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary have kept in closest touch with the situation of tension between Germany and Czechoslovakia.

Official circles in London do not conceal their view that the situation has been as critical as it certainly is confused but the information reaching Whitehall in the past 24 hours points to a welcome easing of the crisis.

At the meeting of the Cabinet at No. 10, Downing Street yesterday afternoon, the rest of Cabinet were put in possession of the latest reports available from British representatives in the European capitals concerned.

In those capitals, wherever it can usefully be exerted the British Government's influence will continue to be used in the interests of appeasement.

NO TAKING SIDES

In this the Government will unquestionably have the strong support of public opinion which has no desire to take sides and is unimpressed by the rival campaigns of assertion and counter-assertion although it is deeply conscious of the dangers which might arise from any incident, unless and until calm is restored.

In the British view, the earliest possible opening of negotiations between the Government in Prague and Herr Henlein's followers, is the best way, both of settling the incidents for which it is "unprofitable to seek to apportion the blame" and of obviating their recurrence.

In the grave situation which exists, any tendency on either side to

GEN. TAN TOU-YUAN CAPTURED

Peiping, To-day.

A Japanese mechanised column surprised headquarters of the Chinese 22nd Army south-east of Hsuehchow and captured General Tan Tou-yuan, according to an official Japanese claim.

Some of the General's Staff were killed and the rest captured. General Tan was taken to Hsuehchowfu.—Reuter.

magnify the alleged incidents or provocation, would find no sympathy either with the British public or in official circles here.

IMPORTANCE OF PATIENCE

It may be assumed that Sir Neville Henderson who has been active at Berlin in the last 3 days will not cease to emphasise the importance of patience, and of moderation in press comment, while in Prague, the British Government's views as to the imperative need of avoiding incidents and the desirability of the Czechoslovak Government's making unmistakably plain its will to secure a speedy settlement by agreement of the Sudeten and similar problems, will be urged by the British Minister.

It is with the essentials of peace that British policy is concerned and at the moment, when so much is in the balance, it is on them that British diplomacy will concentrate wherever and whenever opportunity occurs.—British Wireless.

Tsun Wing-kai, aged 27, was yesterday admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital suffering from injuries sustained during a fight, outside the South China Bathing sheds.

GUERRILLA ATTACK ON PAOTINGFU

Peiping, To-day.

At least 10,000 Chinese guerillas are reported to have attacked Paotingfu, but there is no change in the service on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, on which Paoting is situated.

The Japanese garrison at Paotingfu is believed to be small.

No official information is available here but it is believed that reinforcements have been sent up with aircraft.—Reuter.

SEVENTY TANKS CAPTURED

Hankow, To-day.

The Military Affairs Commission, in an official communique, announce the recapture by Chinese forces of Neihwang and Ifeng east of Lanfeng on the Lunghai railway yesterday morning.

The Doihara Division, driving southward from Hotseh in west Shantung, has been routed by the Chinese defenders after a violent battle in which the invaders were surrounded and decimated.

The Japanese Fukushima mechanised unit, after twenty-four hours' continuous fighting of unprecedented ferocity was completely routed in the vicinity of Tangshan and Hwangkow.

The Chinese forces claimed captured more than seventy tanks and armoured cars.—Central News.

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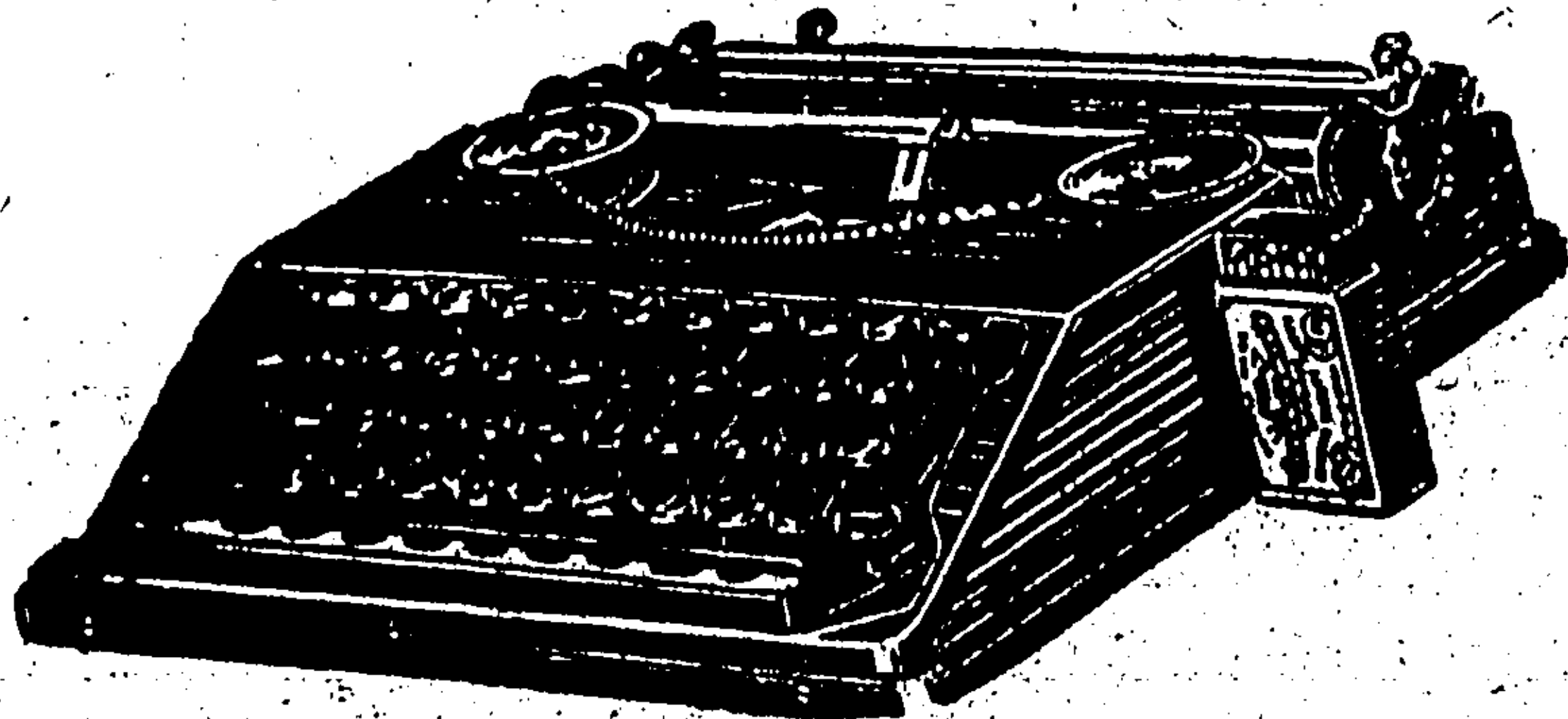
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CRISIS OVER BRITAIN

No-one can say for the moment precisely what future developments will be in the fresh tension which has flared up in Europe with Czecho-Slovakia most uncomfortably in the centre. Much less safe would it be to predict the action of the British Government in the event that worst fears were realised.

In present-day conditions, it is not surprising to find the Manchester Guardian strongly criticising the Labour Party for its genius in political ineptitude. The journal rightly points out that its leaders are afflicted with an itch of fussiness. They are in the midst of great menacing forces; they are facing, according to their own declarations, a supreme crisis which may well submerge all that they stand for. Their answer is to stage feeble fights in the House of Commons, which the Government throws off with something like contempt, and, for the rest, to bury themselves in their minute-books and conference resolutions and to appeal tearfully for "loyalty" to precedent. There is growing up in Britain a movement against the Government and its foreign policy that is far more powerful than anything the Labour party has been able to rouse. It is more powerful because it is contributed to by people of all shades of political tradition and of non-political tradition. There is a national uneasiness. Now, to follow:

any wise political party hoping to take the place of the present Government in office would, it might be thought, do all in its power to encourage such a movement. And all the more because it has had evidence from many quarters of the feeling among its own supporters, numbers of whom have come out openly for a mobilisation of all progressive forces against the Government and in support of the League policy the Labour party professes to be our only salvation. On a recent week-end, for instance, there was a conference in London on Spain, addressed by pro-League Conservatives, by the leader of the Liberal party and other Liberals, by the Parliamentary leader of Labour and some of his colleagues, and by leading trade unionists. Its supporters included a wide range of men and women in all walks of life.

This conference, it is true, was a conference on a specific issue; it did not bind its participants to anything more than common action on Spain. But it is surely plain that if events shape themselves as so many fear they may a movement of this kind may come to mean a great deal more. United action may be forced on all progressives however much they may cherish their previous affiliations. A wise party, therefore, would leave the door open. It would not choose this moment for an attempt to grab common action with other people by issuing an intimation that it is quite competent (thank you) to "capture power" at the next election by its own unaided efforts, quite able to "achieve Socialism" and to "protect democracy." The boasts may seem to most of us to be empty and, in the light of the party's recent history, a little absurd. But so obsessed are some of the Labour leaders with the perfection of their own mutual admiration society that the party's official organ can write deploring the "supreme tragedy" that people in the Labour party should be saying that in grave times like these Labour might well seek allies. Sir Stafford Cripps puts this view realistically in the current "Tribune":

"It is probable that to-day there is no immediate prospect of a purely Labour Government, since the Labour party alone and unaided may well not succeed in dislodging Chamberlain. With the help of the trade unions and the appeal of an alternative National Government of the Left this might be accomplished. The psychological effect of the unity of progressive forces could be very considerable throughout the country."

International policy would not be hard to arrange. Domestic policy would, he thinks, be more difficult — "clearly any idea of real Socialism would have to be put aside for the moment" — but even on that agreement on a fairly radical programme might be arranged. It would be at best a temporary expedient, but is it not worth the price? Sir Stafford Cripps thinks it is. The chairman of the Co-operative party, Mr. Barnes, thinks it is, and his party conference supported him. The Labour executive would be well advised to think again, give its manifesto writers a rest, and put first things first. If it will not give a lead it might at least be ready to follow:

SITUATION CRITICAL IN BERLIN VIEW

British Ambassador's Reminders To Ribbentrop

London Believes Atmosphere Is Clearing

Berlin, To-day.

The situation is described in foreign diplomatic circles as "extremely critical and at the mercy of any incident."

While it is felt that the Reich Government desires a peaceful solution of the Sudeten dispute, it is realised that Hitler has already committed himself so far that should any more grave incidents occur, it would be difficult for him to hold his hand.

It is pointed out that Hitler has on repeated occasions declared that if citizens of German blood were massacred, he would intervene with the armed forces of the Reich to prevent further bloodshed.

Thus it is feared that if German troops cross the frontier, a landslide will have been started the consequences of which nobody can foretell.

It is understood that the British Ambassador reminded Herr von Ribbentrop, the Reich Foreign Minister, of Mr. Neville Chamberlain's recent declaration concerning the possibility of British intervention.

GERMANY REALISES

It is emphasised that the Reich Government fully realises that Great Britain may range herself on the side of France, who is herself bound by treaty obligations.

It is felt in diplomatic circles that while the Germans desire a peaceful solution and appreciate the British efforts in Prague, they are slowly losing confidence in the willingness of the Czech Government to take positive measures to satisfy the Sudeten demands. — Reuter.

PREMIER'S DECISION

London, To-day.

It is officially announced that yesterday's meeting was a full meeting of the Cabinet, at which all twenty-two Ministers were present. It lasted exactly an hour.

It is understood that no further meetings have been arranged at present.

Decision to summon the meeting was taken by the Prime Minister on Saturday night in view of news received from Berlin and Prague during the day, so that the Cabinet could review the whole situation.

SEEKING SETTLEMENT

It is understood that the efforts of the Government towards relaxing of the present tension and endeavouring to promote a peaceful settlement of the Sudeten Deutsche dispute, will be continued.

It is understood that urgent representations are being made not

only in Berlin but in Prague by the British and French Governments independently with a view to achieving this end.

It is likely that the Government will be questioned in the House of Commons to-day on the position.

WHITEHALL ACTIVITY

Decision to call the Cabinet meeting was taken after Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Sir John Simon and Lord Halifax had conferred together for an hour.

There was considerable activity in Downing Street and Whitehall yesterday afternoon.

Important officials arrived, including Admiral Sir William James, Deputy Chief of Naval Staff, who hurried into the Treasury to see Sir Warren Fisher, permanent secretary of the Treasury.

Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, the new Colonial Secretary, arrived at the Colonial Office.

VON DIRKSEN

While Dr. von Dirksen, the German Ambassador, was conferring with Lord Halifax, a similar consultation was arranged between Sir Neville Henderson (Ambassador in Berlin) and Herr von Ribbentrop, the Reich Foreign Minister.

It is suggested in London that these talks were not concerned with actual events and incidents in Czecho-Slovakia as an effort to arrange a solution of the difficulties between Czechs and Germans.

It is now learnt that Sir Neville had a second interview with Herr von Ribbentrop late last night.

SIMILAR LINES

The conversations are understood to have run on similar lines as the earlier talks in which Herr von Ribbentrop repeated the assurances about troop movements.

Sir Neville is understood to have again expressed concern over the situation.

Mr. Charles Corbin, the French Ambassador in London, arrived at the Foreign Office at 4.30 yesterday afternoon and saw Lord Halifax. — Reuter.

SUDDEN IMPROVEMENT IN SITUATION

London, To-day.

A brief Berlin despatch stating that it is understood that a slight improvement has occurred in the international situation, provided relief in London after a day of uneasiness and unusual Sabbath ministerial activities which culminated in a full Cabinet meeting at 5 o'clock.

Earlier in the day, Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, had conferred with Dr. von Dirksen, the German Ambassador, and M. Charles Corbin, the French Ambassador, and accompanied by Sir John Simon (Chancellor of the Exchequer) had conferred with the Prime Minister.

The Berlin despatch added that exact reasons for the improvement are not yet known but it is a fact that a party of British women and children, who had arranged to return to England last night, postponed their departure on official advice. — Reuter.

FRENCH PRIEST CALLOUSLY SLAIN

PEIPING, TO-DAY.

IT IS AUTHORITATIVELY LEARNED THAT FREDERIC FOURRE, THE FRENCH MISSIONARY WHO WAS KILLED AT CHANGLO ON APRIL 22, MET HIS DEATH IN CIRCUMSTANCES ENTIRELY DIFFERENT FROM THOSE GIVEN IN THE JAPANESE VERSION.

It was claimed that he was killed during a house-to-house search for bandits by Chinese militiamen and Japanese "pacification" agents, but authoritative circles now state categorically that Japanese troops at Changlo forced their way into his mission school for girls.

When he attempted to protect his pupils he was shot in the head by the Japanese forces, who also killed three Chinese nuns. — Reuter.

Notice has been given of the following forthcoming marriage: Conrado de Castro, bachelor, of San Fernando, Pampanga, P.I., and Caroline Mejia Remedios, of 425 Asturias, Manila P.I.



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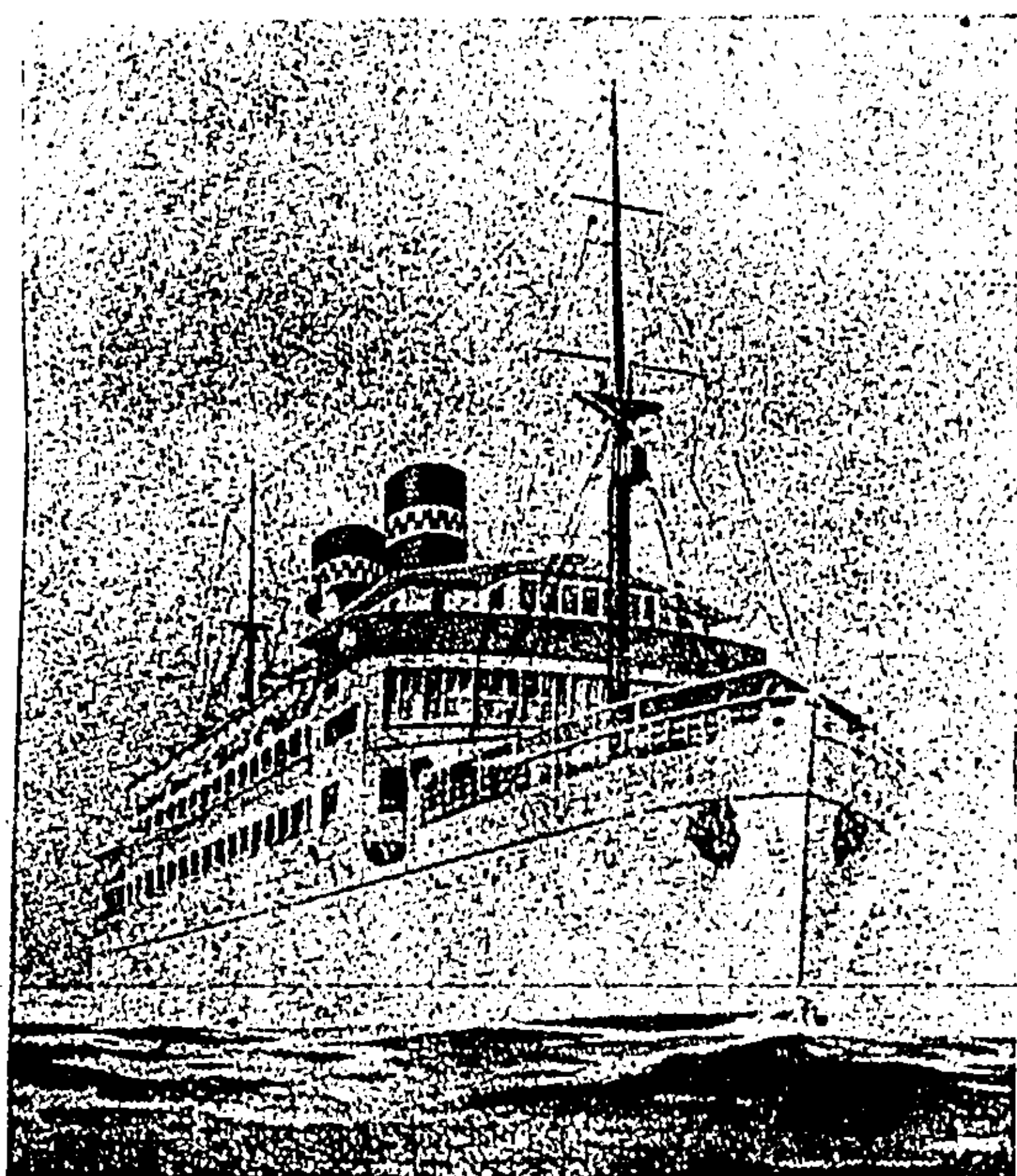
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Czech Actions Declared To Be Unconstitutional

Prague, To-day.

The Sudeten German Party issued yesterday evening an official statement on Sunday's meeting of the Political Committee of the Party. It reiterates the assertion that the mobilization and the measures adopted by the Czecho-Slovakian Government are unconstitutional.

A concrete proof of this assertion, the statement goes on to say, was submitted to Dr. Hodza, the Czech Prime Minister, by the Sudeten German Deputies Kund, Neuwirth and Frank in the course of the parleys which took place yesterday.

After concrete facts, showing that the occupation of Sudeten German territory was a breach of constitution, had been placed before Dr. Hodza, latter intimated that he would order an investigation of the facts submitted to him.

The official pronouncement of the Sudeten German Party then protests against the attempt that had been made to charge the Sudeten Germans with the responsibility for the happenings of the last few days.

DISCIPLINE AND ORDER

It says: "In reply to the assertions made abroad to the effect that the Sudeten Germans are to blame for the present measures, we have the right to ask in our turn why it is that measures of such a far-reaching character have been taken, seeing that in no place has been there the slightest sign of a revolt of the Sudeten Germans and neither the Government nor the civil authorities have contended that there has been any sign of a revolt. On the contrary, it is admitted that the Sudeten Germans have maintained discipline and order.

In conclusion the official pronouncement reiterates to the previous standpoint that negotiations with the Government can take place only if the Government creates an atmosphere which permits a certain clarification before.—Trans Ocean.

MERCHANT FOUND HANGED

The body of O Hay-tin aged 40, a merchant, was this morning removed to the Public Mortuary. He was found hanged at his residence, No. 133 Caine Road, first floor, by relatives shortly after 9 o'clock. Detective-Sergeant Hunter is in charge of police enquiries.

YACHTSMAN FOUND AFTER SEARCH

Anxiety expressed last night regarding the whereabouts of Sub-Lieutenant C. R. E. Stephenson, of the H.K. Naval Volunteer Force, who went out in a yacht travelling out of the harbour westwards was allayed when a police launch which went in search found the yacht becalmed.

Fear was aroused because Mr. Stephenson's yacht was observed in the East Lamma Channel last evening just before a violent squall which struck the Colony at about 7 p.m.

FORTUNE TELLER SENTENCED

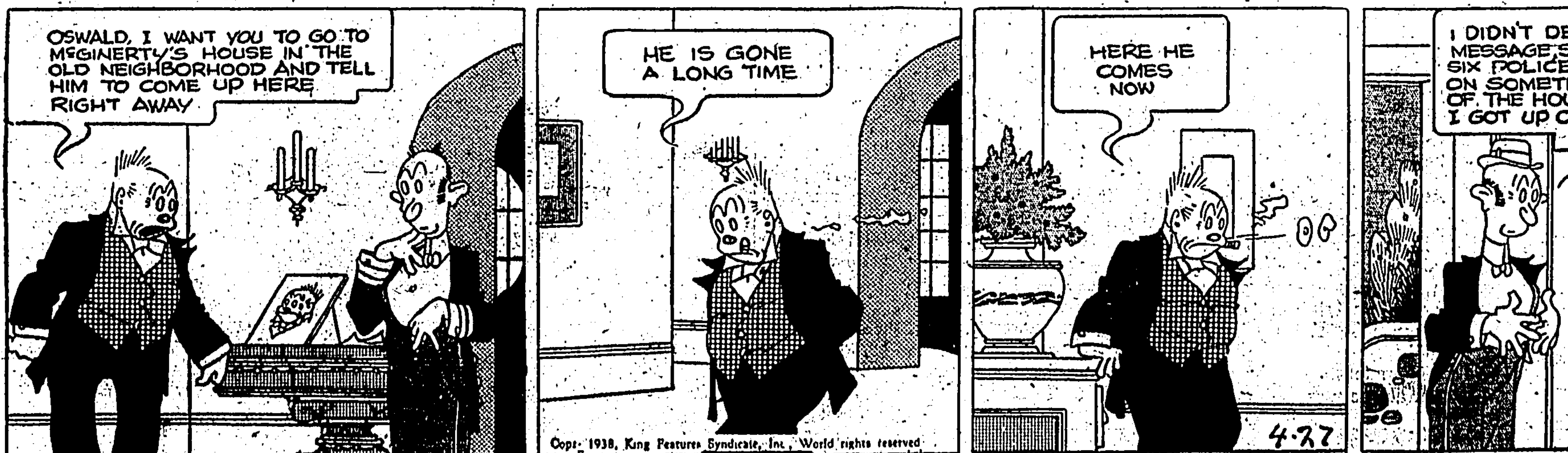
Tin Man, aged 52, a fortune teller, was this morning sentenced to three months' hard by Mr. H. R. Butters this morning when found guilty of obtaining \$30 by false pretences. For returning from banishment he was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

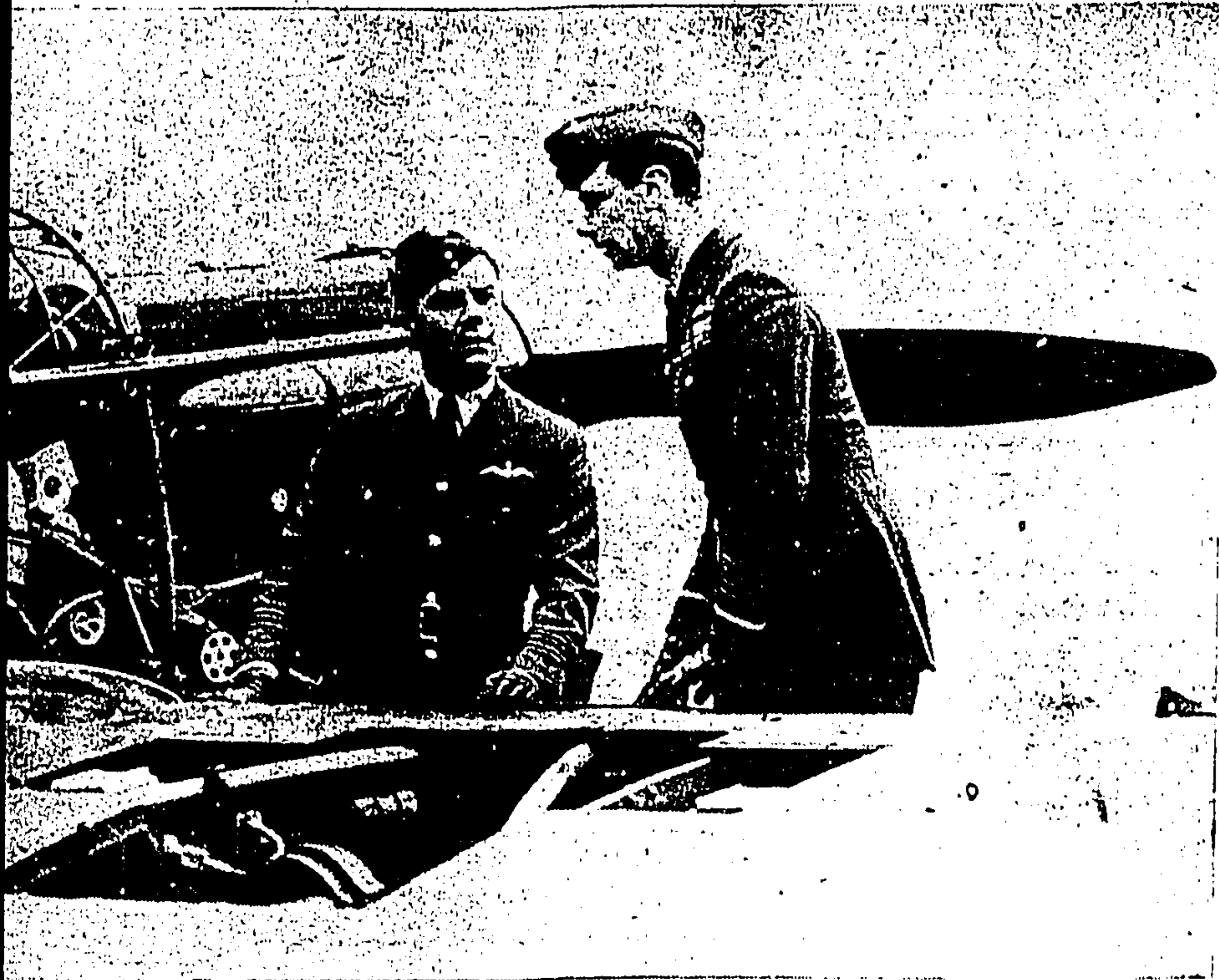
Defendant stole a letter on May 6, extracted the contents and substituted another letter asking that \$30 be sent to a certain address.

The money was sent as requested. The supposed writer of the letter came to the Colony a few days ago and it was then found that the letter was a forgery.

Mrs. Elliot, residing at No. 187, Austin Road, has reported the loss of a bracelet, valued at \$150, from a cubicle at the Lido, Repulse Bay.

Bringing Up Father





VISITS AIR BASES. His Majesty the King made a flying tour of Royal Air Force bases on a keen interest in the new fighter planes and the new high speed bombers and his face re- smiling during the fly-past at Northolt, where the tour commenced. Photo shows the King, Commander Gillan, inspecting one of the new Hawker 'Hurricane' machines. (Copyright: By Air

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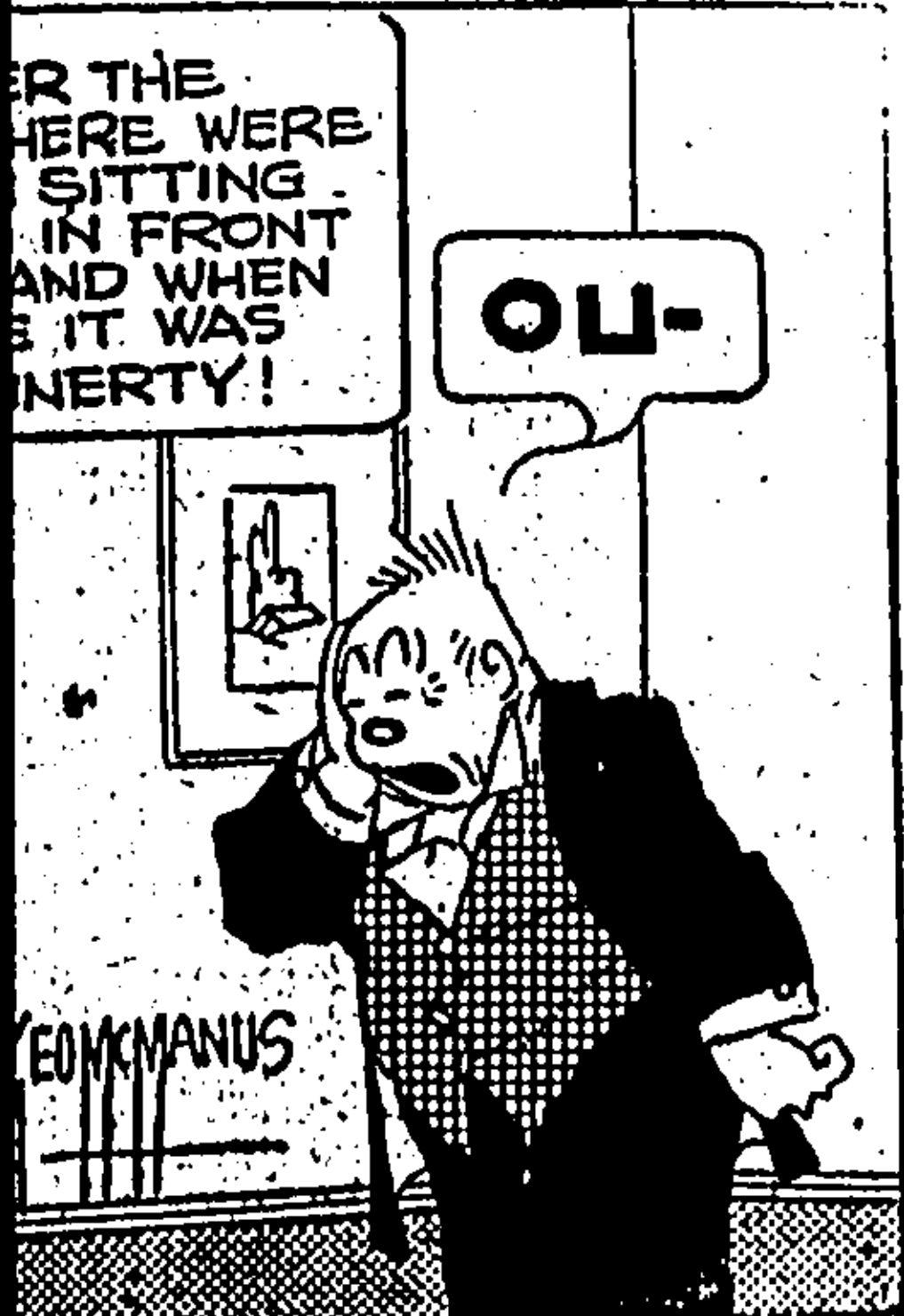
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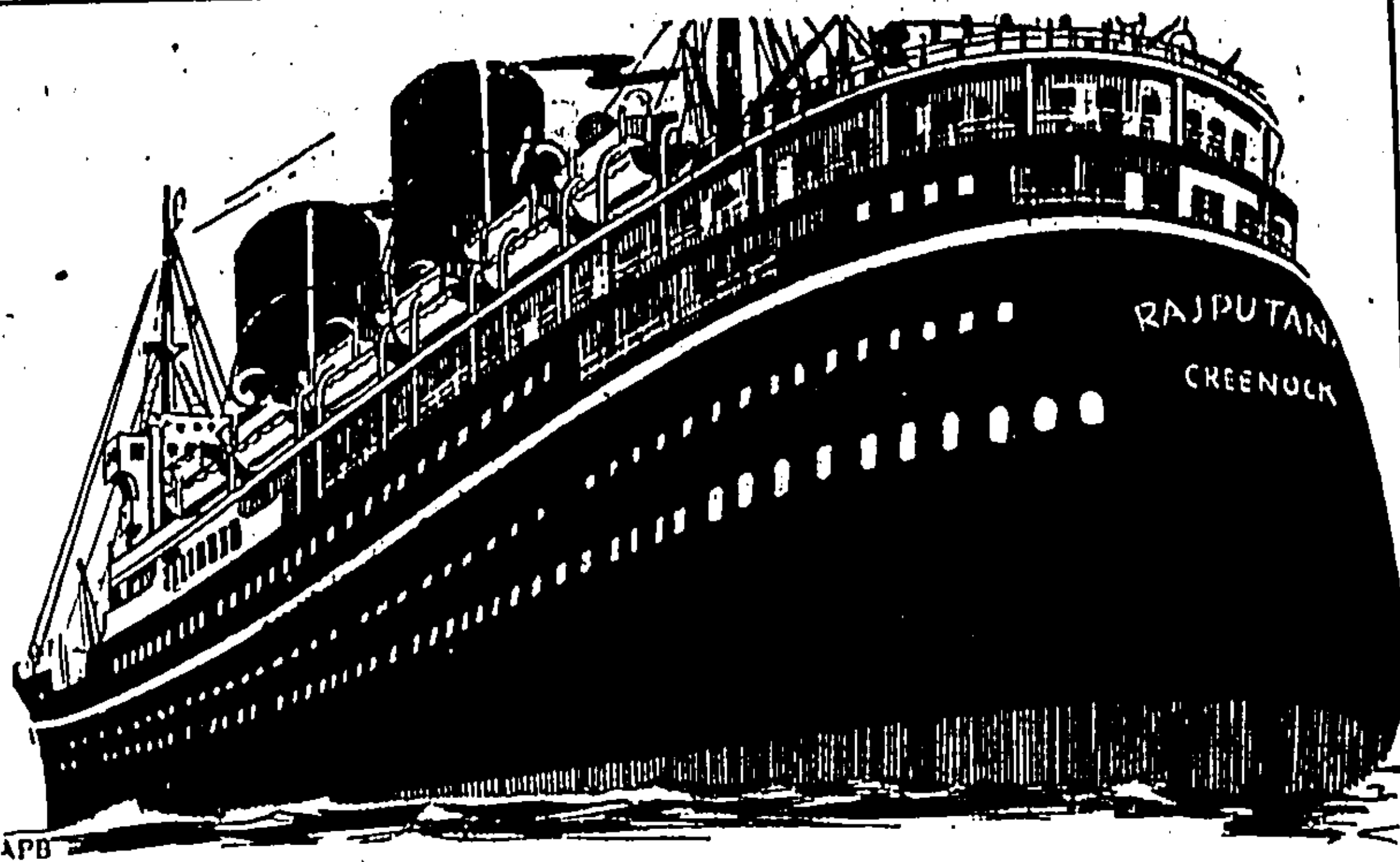
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The Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Taipo and Un Long will also have one delivery of ordinary correspondence at 11.00 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

Postage Stamps of the new issue H.M. King George VI in the denominations 1 cent, 5 cents, and 2 dollars will be on sale as from 24th May.

In order to assist Dealers and others who require considerable quantities of these stamps for "first day covers", supplies in complete sheets of 120 stamps only will be available at the Chief Accountant's Office, 1st Floor, Post Office Building, from 4.30 to 5.00 p.m. on Monday 23rd May. The stamps will not be valid for postage until 24th May.

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Straits	Antenor	May 23.
Java	Tjisalak	May 23.
Calcutta and Straits	Mausang	May 24.
Calcutta and Straits	Shirala	May 24.
Tientsin and Swatow	Kanchow	May 24.
Haiphong	Canton	May 25.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London date, 28th April — and London parcels—London date, 25th April	Rajputana	May 25.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 18th May	Pan-American Airways Plane	May 25.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 19th May	Imperial Airways Plane	May 25.
Manila	Empress of Japan	May 25.
Saigon	Aramis	May 25.
Japan	Santos Maru	May 26.
Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Doumer	May 26.
Bangkok	Kweiyang	May 26.
Japan and Shanghai	Chitral	May 27.
Japan	Kamo Maru	May 27.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 22nd May	Imperial Airways Plane	May 27.
Straits	Conte Rosso	May 27.

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For	Per	Date and Time.
Monday		
Swatow	Van Heutsz	Mon., May 23, 2.30 p.m.
Saigon, Madang, Salamata, Rabaul, *Sydney and *Melbourne	Neptuna	Mon., May 23, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Sian, Lanchow & Chengtu etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (to farther points by surface transport as services permit).	Eurasia Plane	Mon., May 23.
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kweiyang and Chungking by the "C.N.A.C. Airways Direct Service."	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Mon., May 23, 4.30 p.m.
	Ord.,	Mon., May 23, 5.00 p.m.
	C.N.A.C. Plane	Tues., May 24.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Tues., May 24, Noon.
	Ord.,	Tues., May 24, Noon.
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Tues., May 24, Noon.
	Ord.,	Wed., May 25, 6.00 a.m.
Tuesday		
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Tues., May 24, 8.15 a.m.
Haiphong, Batavia and Sourabaya	Tjibadak	Tues., May 24, 9.00 a.m.
Kongmoon	On Lee	Tues., May 24, 10.00 a.m.
*Haiphong	Muinam	Tues., May 24, Noon.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 5th June	Suisang	Tues., May 24.
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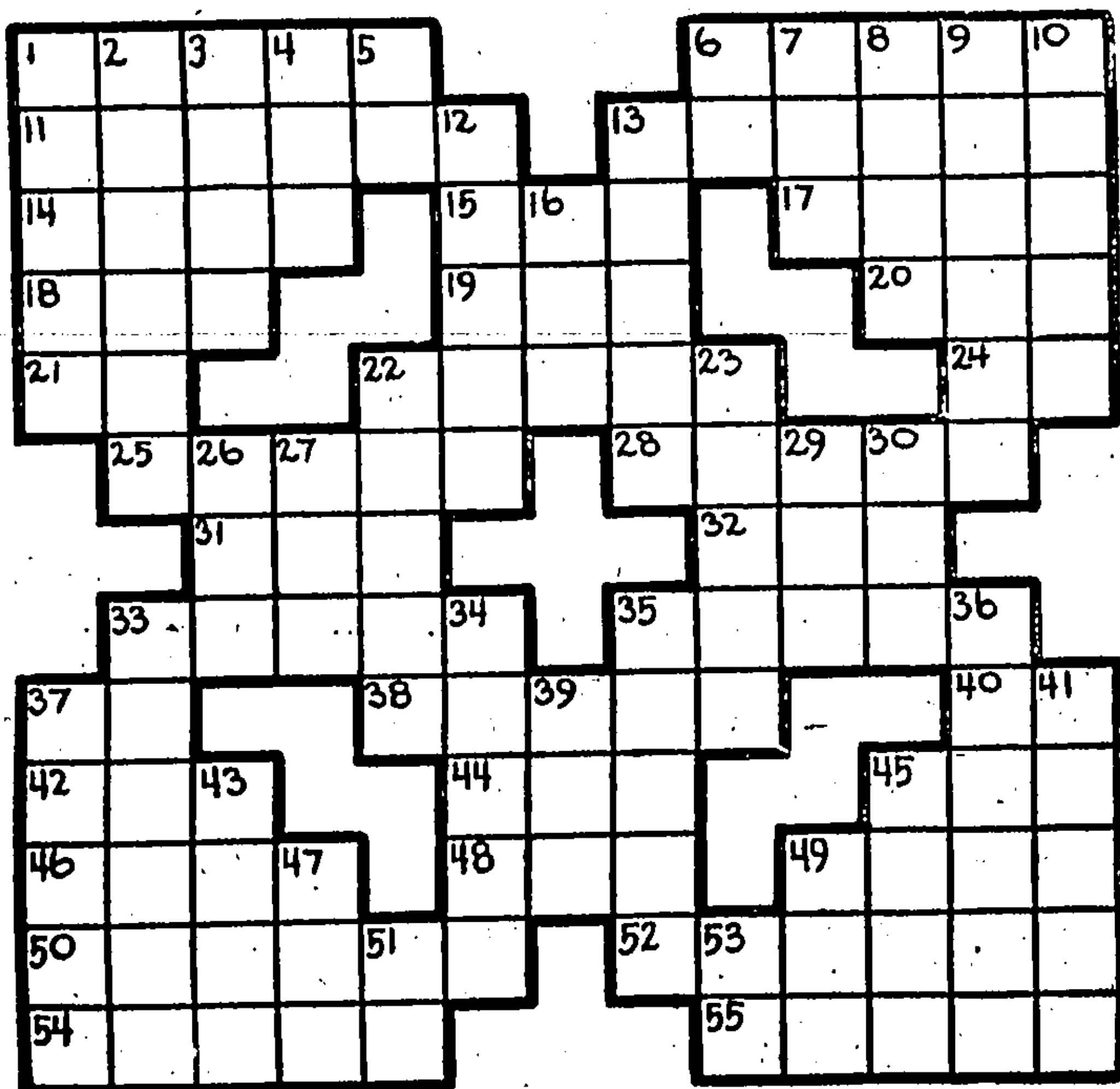
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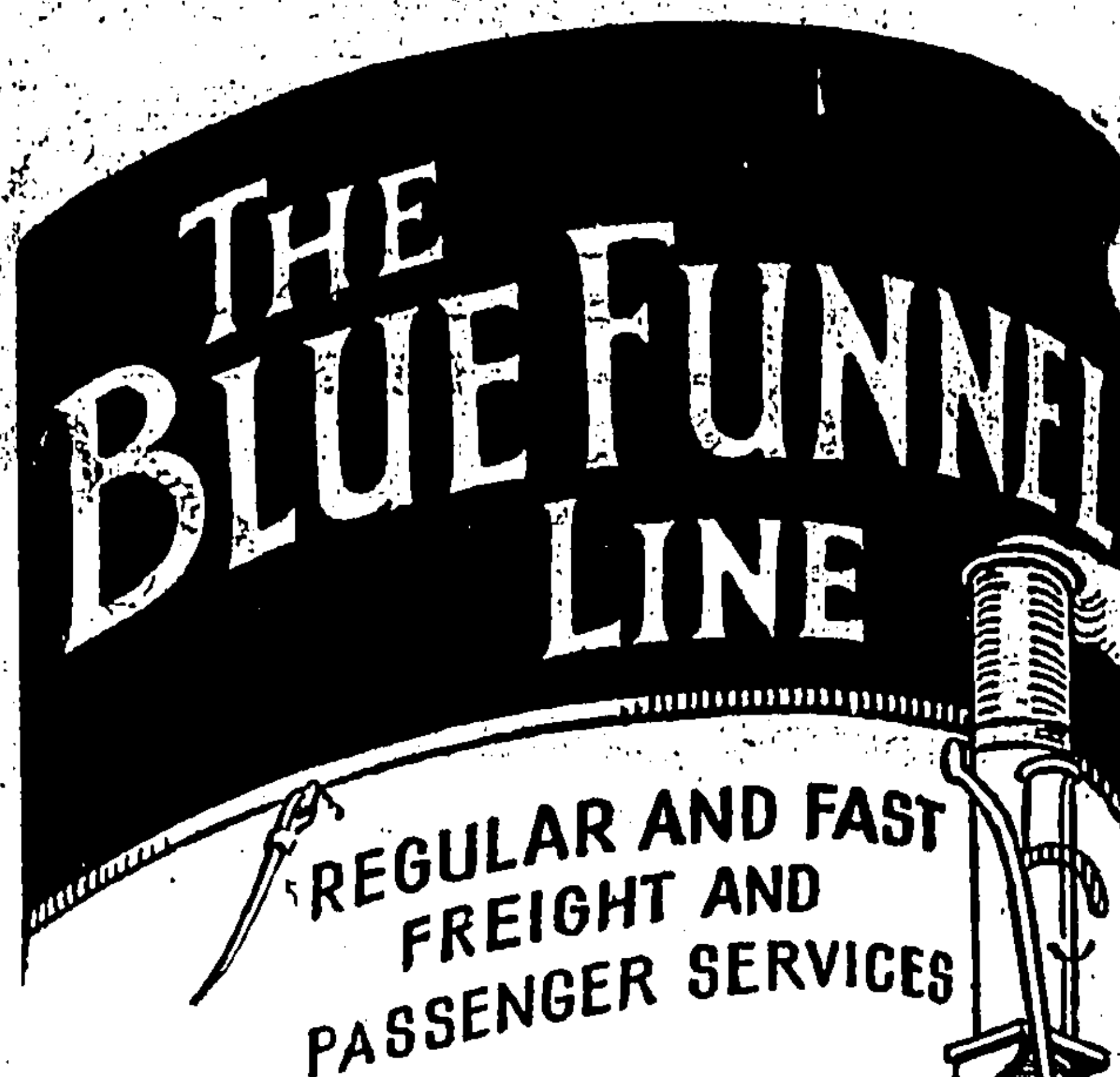
HORIZONTAL
 1-Flashy
 6-Mixture of flour and water
 11-Vertical parts of a stairway
 13-To prize
 14-Island in the Gulf of Riga, Esthonia
 15-A metal
 17-Pierce
 18-Aged
 19-Terminate
 20-A compass point (abbr.)
 21-Myself
 22-A singing voice
 24-Comparative suffix
 25-Gliver
 28-Walked in water
 31-Sag
 32-Fish eggs
 33-Lukewarm
 35-Peeke
 37-Act
 38-Evergreen tree
 40-Part of verb "To be"

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
 42-Entomology (abbr.)
 44-Obese
 45-The armpit
 46-Grows old
 48-Organ of sight
 49-Sacred bull of Egypt
 50-Longshoreman (Naut.)
 52-New
 54-Part of a flower
 55-Natives of ancient Median Kingdom

VERTICAL

1-Hostler
 2-Provided with passageways
 3-Employed
 4-Eastern State of United States (abbr.)
 5-Period of time (abbr.)
 6-Postscript (abbr.)
 7-American Temperance Society (abbr.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)
 8-Places
 9-Tormented
 10-A live coal
 12-Guide
 13-Bestow
 16-Tavern
 22-Subject
 23-Scarier
 26-Lyric poem
 27-Pinch
 29-Female deer
 30-Ever (contr.)
 33-Bell clapper
 34-Put off
 35-Father (Lat.)
 36-Salty
 37-Apportions
 38-Period of time
 41-Part of a ship (pl.)
 43-Temperature (abbr.)
 45-Imitated
 47-Mineral spring
 49-High card
 51-The (Sp.)
 53-Type-measure



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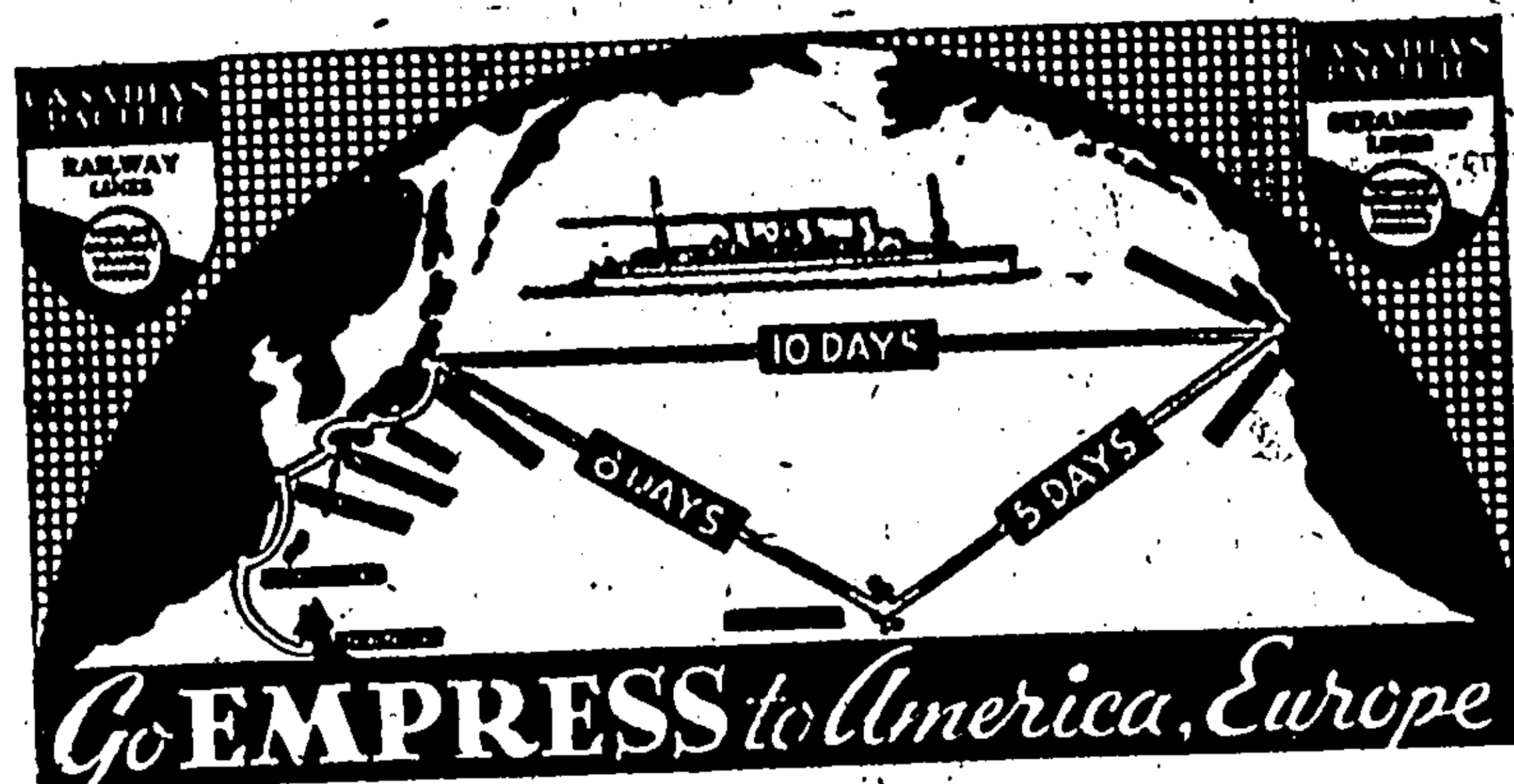
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RUMANIAN PREMIER NOW IN POLAND

WARSAW, YESTERDAY.
 THE RUMANIAN PRIME MINISTER, THE PATRIARCH MIRON CRISTEA, ARRIVED IN POLAND YESTERDAY FOR A STAY OF SEVERAL DAYS.

He was met and welcomed at noon on Lemberg railway station by representatives of the Polish Government and members of the high clergy of the Orthodox Church of Poland.

The visit had been scheduled for some time past, even before the Rumanian Church Prince, who is now 70 years old, had become leader of political affairs in Rumania.

The visit is in return for that made by the head of the Polish Orthodox Church, the Metropolitan Dionysos, to Rumania last year.

POLITICAL POINT

Political circles in Warsaw consider that the fact that the Patriarch should insist on making the journey despite the heavy demands made on him by the duties of Prime Minister, proves that the visit also has political significance.

It is not doubted in Poland that as a result of the conversations the Patriarch will have in Poland, there will be further strengthening of the Polish-Rumanian alliance, particularly as regards the relations of the two countries to Czecho-Slovakia and Rumania.

Much attention has been aroused by the statement made by the Patriarch to the Polish press agency, describing the Polish-Rumanian alliance as "living and indestructible," as "Trans-Oceanic."

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

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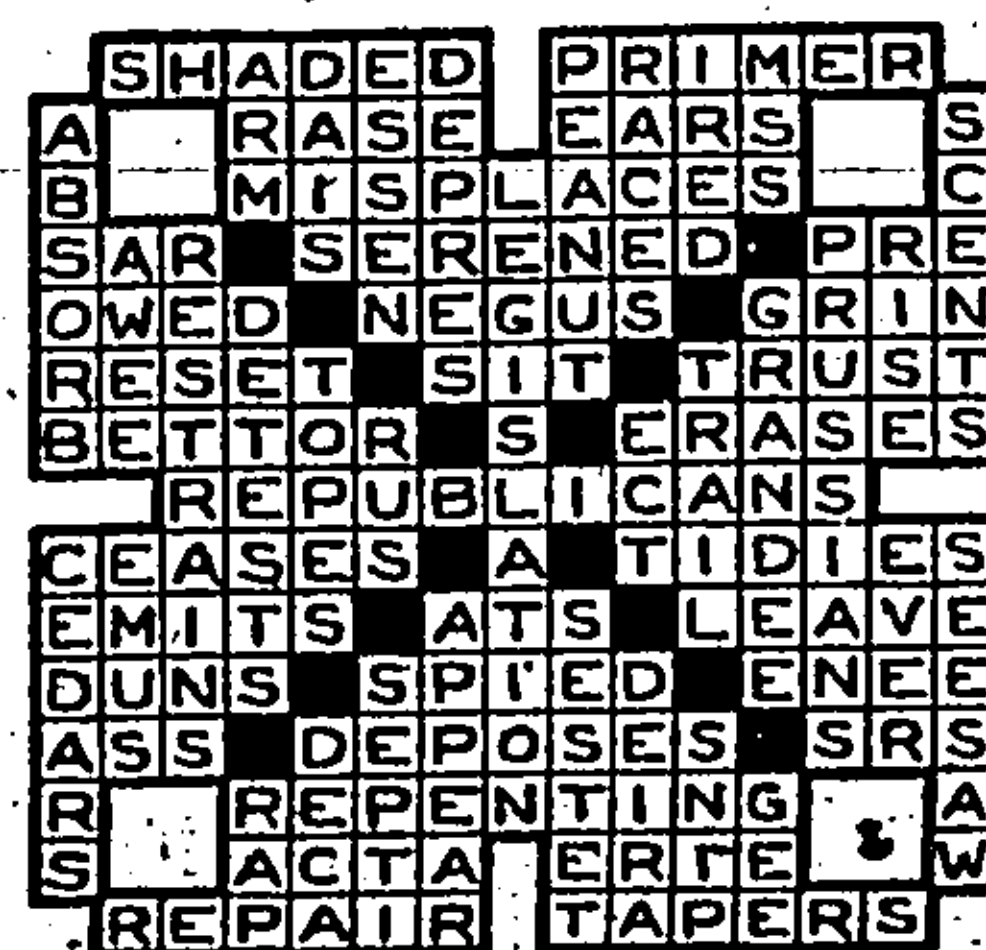
REFUGEES IN OLD VICTORIA GAOL

Over 500 Chinese refugees from Amoy, brought to the Colony in the Talma, have been landed and placed temporarily in the old Victoria Gaol. The Tung Wah hospital authorities are taking charge and arrangements are being made for gradual repatriation.

Another large batch of refugees from Amoy is expected in the Colony this afternoon.

First Amoy refugees to arrive are being accommodated for the time being in the old Government Civil Hospital.

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WEEK-END FANLING GOLF RESULTS

F. Groves Qualified For
 Captain's Cup

The following were the result of week-end golf competitions held over the Old and New Courses at Fanling:

Captain's Cup: In the playoff of the tie resulting from May Qualifying Competition, F. Groves (77-671) beat F. Buckle, who did not return a card.

The Bogey (Par) Pool, held over the Old Course on Saturday and Sunday resulted in a win for R.G. Gray (14) who was four up.

Other scores were W.M. Gordon (18) 1 up; J. J. A. Sherry (18), F. Groves (6) and H. H. Pethick (15) were all square.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co., have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

July/Sept. 18-7/8 b. down 1/8.
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 Jan/March 19-3/8 b. down 1/4.
 Market: Uncertain.

U. S. SLOVAKS ON WAY TO PRAGUE

Prague, Yesterday.
A delegation of American Slovaks, which now on the way to Prague with the original of the alleged Treaty of Pittsburg, by which the Czech representatives are said to have promised autonomy to the Slovaks in 1918 but the authenticity of which is denied by the Czecho-Slovak Government, has wired to the Slovak leader, Father Hlinkas, and the paper "Slovenska Pravda," announcing its arrival here next week.

The delegation, which consists of over 100 persons under the leadership of Dr. Hietka, requested the paper to take the necessary steps for arranging for its reception by leading personalities in Czecho-Slovakia.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW MEMBERS OF SOVIET COUNCIL

Moscow, Yesterday.

It is officially announced that the following new members have been appointed to the Union Council of People's Commissars:

M. Lobanov, as Commissar for Agriculture,
M. Stupov, for State Farms, and
M. Pamfilov, for Municipal Economy.

All these posts had been vacant for some time past owing to arrest of their previous occupants.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2-13/16.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London on Saturday at 18 3/4 and forward at 18 1/2.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.96 1/4, and the New York on London rate at £—U.S.\$4.95 1/2.

The P. and O. s.s. "Rajputana" left Singapore on the 21st instant and is due here on the 25th instant at about 9 a.m.

DEATH OF MRS. CHAN SHAN TING

The death occurred at 12, Ying Fai Terrace yesterday of Mrs. Chan Shan Ting whose husband has been so long associated with Messrs. Melchers and Co. She is survived by four sons and five daughters. The eldest son, Mr. Chan Wai Kuen is a director of Hotel Cecil, the second Mr. Chan Wai Chan, is director and Manager of Hotel Cecil and the Hon. Secretary of the Precious Blood Convent, the third, Wai Ming, is on the staff of the South West Transportation Co., and the last Wai Wing, is an employee of Messrs. Mackinnon Mackenzie and Co.

The funeral took place yesterday, the cortege proceeding from Ying Fai Terrace to the Christian Cemetery where the interment took place. The Rev. Cheung Chuk Ling officiated at the service, which was attended by a large number of relations and friends.

In addition to the family wreaths, the following floral tributes were sent:

Mr. T. L. Soong, General C. H. Fang, Messrs. Lau Kit-nin, C. L. Farmer, Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Chiu, Dr. and Mrs. Li Shun, Dr. and Mrs. Y. Y. Tang, Mr. and Mrs. She Tat Cheong, Mr. Hon Yan Lam, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Sai Man, Madame Ho Kam Tong, Miss Helen Lo, Mr. and Mrs. Kwan Man Wai, Mr. S. H. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Lui Sun Yiu, Mrs. Ho Sai Wah, Mrs. Ho Sai Kit, Mother Superioress Joanna Tam, The Sun Co. Ltd., Hotel Cecil, South West Transportation Co., Messrs. Choy Cheong, Lo Wing Kit, Tse Yu Chuen, Shum Wai Yau, Mr. and Mrs. Wong Chung Lam, Messrs. Wong Pak Chau, Tangent Chao, Tse Yung Kwong, Wong Cho Fun, Miss Gomes, Mrs. Tai Tung Ki, Miss Sylvia Tai, Mr. Au Yang Woo, Messrs. Inter Continent China Ltd. Directors of Hotel Cecil, Messrs. Ng Chan Wah, Li Fai Yiu, Chung Yu Wing, Cheng Tean Sang, Misses. Mary Fung, Lucy Chan, Jennie Lo, Majorie Wong, Frances Fung, Lucy Fung, Mr. Chu Wang Ip, Messrs. Wai Kwok Lun, Lai Chung Tong, and very many others.

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COMPETITIVE SWIMMING DYING NATURAL DEATH?

Lack Of Younger Blood To Carry On

ST. ANDREW'S JOIN AQUATIC FIELD

(By "CRAWL")

ALTHOUGH the swimming season has already commenced, with the exception of members of one or two Chinese Clubs, very little has been seen of the Colony's leading swimmers, who have been hibernating during the winter months and who are now finding it difficult to "break cover."

Norman Lee, the present Colony 100 and 220 yards Free style champion, has been in training for the past month-and-a-half, and should be in fine trim by the first V.R.C. gala, which is not far off. Wilfred Lawrence, who did not participate in last season's championships owing to illness, has already made a few isolated appearances in the pool, but nothing has yet been seen of A. A. da Roza.

I shall be very surprised if Lionel Roza-Pereira takes anything seriously this season, as it will be recalled that he did very little last season, concentrating on the Diving and water-polo.

The St. Andrew's Club, newcomers in the field of aquatics, made a successful debut at water-polo last Thursday evening against the Royal Corps of Signals, to whom they lost by 4 goals to 1. The Saints' team is still in its infancy, but I understand that they will shortly have the services of F. H. Stokes, who played for Bristol University and Bristol City. He should prove a valuable acquisition. At the moment the Saints have a promising nucleus from which to build up their team.

BETTER OUT OF GOAL

In H. Millington, they have a fairly strong swimmer who can play in goal, although I would rather see him as a back or wing forward where he would be of infinite more use. He has not quite mastered the art of throwing a ball in play (except from goal), but should soon get over this difficulty as he is quick to learn. In Tomlinson, who keeps goal for the Royal Corps of Signals, the Saints have a ready-made goalkeeper who should be retained in that position in order to give him as much practice as possible, although he can play as full-back if required.

ESSENTIALLY A BACK

Ashford is essentially a full-back in spite of the fact that he plays for the Signals, at centre-half. Having an abundance of stamina, a quick clearance and being fairly cool, he should make an ideal defender.

I understand, however, that he is rather keen to play among the forwards, but this can never be until he has mastered the art of shooting off the mark. Now I think that Ashford would be more at home as a full-back.

FOR KEY POSITION

Stokes comes to the Colony with a reputation and with all his experience behind him I should think that he would be ideally suited to the pivotal position where he can control both the defence or attack in time of a crisis. I have not yet had the pleasure of seeing him in action, but believe that he will be playing this week.

The Saints are at present inclined to be weak in attack, where they only have one sound swimmer in A. S. "Sonny" Bliss, better known for his exploits on the soccer and hockey fields. Bliss played water-polo some time ago and has not forgotten how to handle a ball. He has a pleasant style and would be best suited to the centre-forward position. This leaves two positions to be filled in the wing forward berths.

LEARN RULES FIRST!

H. B. Darby, who played last Thursday against the Signals, is a strong swimmer, but his evident lack of knowledge of the rules is

TO-DAY'S TENNIS MATCHES

Recreio-K.C.C. "A" On
But L.R.C.-U.S.R.C.
Encounter Off

We are reliably informed that the Club de Recreio-K.C.C. "A" Mixed Doubles League Tennis match, scheduled for King's Park this afternoon, will take place, but that the Ladies Recreation Club-U.S.R.C. match, also scheduled for King's Park, has been postponed owing to the dampness of the courts.

The match between Chinese Recreation Club and H.K.C.C., at Causeway Bay, is doubtful, as the courts are not quite dry as a result of yesterday's and overnight rain.

bound to get him into trouble, and I would pass this tip onto others who are keen to take up water-polo. He is terribly enthusiastic, however, and should in time settle down to his game.

It is a pleasing thought that with competitive swimming almost dying a natural death, through lack of younger blood, that water-polo should be given a flip by the introduction of new blood through new clubs.

FIRST PRACTICE

I hear that the European "Y" have made a start to their water-polo practice and that quite a crowd were on view last Wednesday, the first practice, when a friendly game was held. The practice was conspicuous because of the absence of the water-polo captain.

Eric Railton, former Captain of swimming and water-polo at the "Y", is now in the Colony, and has promised his support so far as coaching is concerned and should prove of inestimable help.

As far as I can see, the Colony is going to experience just as lean a year as last season in swimming, but there are hopes of a bumper water-polo season.

"REVIEWER'S" SPORTS COMMENTARY

Changing The Rugby Line-out Rule

IT is usually during the close season that changes in the rules are formulated, and to the majority of Rugby players and spectators such alterations invariably come unexpectedly at the beginning of a new season when there is little time to assimilate any new interpretation or the intention of a re-wording of the laws.

This, then, is a suitable time to mention a proposal which has official backing in Scotland that the rule regarding the throw-in from touch be altered. Briefly, the suggestion is that the team who have the right to throw-in the ball from touch do not, as at present, have the option of taking a scrum. Many will agree that such a change is a distinct improvement entailing none of these bewildering complications which have arisen as a result of the alterations made in the scrumage law. It is, in fact, simple and progressive as in the case of the changes made in recent years concerning the restarting of play after a try or a goal or taking penalty kicks, and it adopted there would be no need for further explanatory circulars on this particular point.

Discussion for and against this line-out change could easily turn to heated argument which would make the coffee cups rattle of a morning, but the main issue seems to be—why should the team whose right it is to throw-in be able to claim a scrumage and then have the advantage of the loose head since it would be their put-in?

The point is that possession in the scrum is tolerably certain to the side who put-in, for the half-back is allowed to take advantage of the loose-head. At the line-out the balance is more even, as it should be, since no infringement has been committed. The player throwing-in is usually expected to throw to his own forwards, though judging from what often happens he seems to be able to spot an unmarked opponent with astonishing accuracy.

Then line-out play is not so good that there should be an option to the throw-in. It is, indeed, a most important phase of forward play from which a good team can open up the game more effectively than from the set scrum. Some would say, of course, that the line-out so often results in a scrum being ordered that it would be better to restart the game by the latter method and get on with it. But others maintain that there is too much scrumming and that the activities of wing forwards is cramping back play. Very well then, if scrumming the line-out is outlawed there will be fewer opportunities for wing forwards pursuing their alleged destructive operations.

The results of line-out play are admittedly too often negative but not more so that scrumming at the present time for, from that phase, the sole object seems under all conditions and situations to be to heel to the backs.

This suggested change would eventually lead to better line-out play and it is worth considering it from its Twickenham aspect. In that game the English pack took full advantage of the rules to turn their superiority in the scrum to full account, yet elsewhere they were no better than the Scottish forwards. By all means let a pack or, for that matter, a team make the most of their strongest suit, but not with the aid of the laws.

It may be thought in some quarters that this proposed change is a clever way of neutralising the inferior scrumming of a pack, especially since Scottish forwards have failed in that respect for so long now, but it hardly needs to be emphasised that the Scottish Union have no such intention and above all things want to see the day when a national pack will dominate the scrums.

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BRITAIN'S NEW DAVIS CUP TEAM

E. J. Filby's Surprise Omission

C. M. JONES SELECTED IN HIS PLACE BUTLER MOST RELIABLE

(The following article which appeared in the "Morning Post and Daily Telegraph" on April 26, should prove interesting in view of Britain's narrow shave against Rumania and her present struggle against Yugoslavia.)

London, April 26.

THE L.T.A. have chosen the following side to represent Great Britain in the Davis Cup first round match against Rumania at Harrogate on May 7, 9, 10: D. W. Butler, C. M. Jones, R. A. Shayer and F. H. D. Wilde.

WITH THE DISPERSAL OF LAST YEAR'S DEFENDING TEAM THROUGH VARIOUS CAUSES—OF WHICH EXCESSIVE MODESTY MAY POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN ONE—THE SELECTORS HAD TO BUILD ANEW FROM WHAT WAS VIRTUALLY FRESH AND UNTRIED MATERIAL, WRITES A. WALLIS MYERS.

Only Frank Wilde had passed through the Davis Cup mill, and that only once after Hughes had retired through illness on the eve of the Challenge Round.

Six players as possible were named about three weeks ago, and four of these have now been selected. I regret that Eric Filby is not one of them, not because of his recent record in match play, which has admittedly been inconsistent, but because he answers the present-day requirement of youth and promise and has shown a potentiality greater than any of his companions. (He beat "Bunny" Austin last Friday in the semi-final round of the Surrey Men's Singles Championship.)

Jones is selected in his place. He is a capable and earnest player and was unbeaten in the recent trial matches at Melbury. That fact would entitle him to selection if Davis Cup matches were contested against players of the same country — if there was nothing new to meet, if the tactics of the opponent were familiar, and if there was unmistakable promise of advance in America.

POOR RECORD

Last year, Jones, as an official nominee of this country, was scarcely fast enough for the eager fray. His record was relatively poor. It would have been a prudent and progressive policy to give a chance to a younger and inherently more aggressive player.

However, the team has been chosen and we must wish them luck. Presumably, Wilde and Butler will be the doubles pair. They secured Championship honours on the covered courts at Queen's Club last autumn, and, at Hamburg, they nearly beat Crawford and McGrath to capture the German Championship.

BUTLER THE BEST

As events proved at Bourne-mouth, yesterday Butler is the most reliable of the four against a foreign challenge. In addition to great mobility he has a stout heart and plenty of stamina.

The present team, it should be noted, is only chosen for the first match against Rumania. Conceivably—it's as well to be cautious because the Rumanians have advanced recently like all Central European players—a team for a second match this year may not be necessary. (C. M. Jones has since been dropped for the match against Yugoslavia, which commenced last Friday, at Zagreb, C. E. Hope having been selected in his stead.)

GT. BRITAIN OUT OF DAVIS CUP?

Yugoslavia Win Singles Matches And Lead In Doubles

OTHER RESULTS

Zagreb, To-day.

Great Britain are in grave danger of being eliminated from the Davis Cup Competition, and only a heavy rainstorm prevented their fate from being sealed at the hands of Yugoslavia.

With Charles Hare out of the British team, Great Britain's hopes of an early lead were dashed to the ground on Saturday afternoon, when, after two postponements owing to inclement weather, Mitic, Yugoslavia's first string and R. C. Butler clashed in their first singles match, the former winning in straight sets by 7-5, 6-1, 6-4.

Britain suffered another reverse yesterday, when they lost the second singles match, Puncce beating Shayer 6-4, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4, after the match had been temporarily abandoned in the final set through rain.

HEAVY RAINSTORM

Two matches down Great Britain's only hope of recovery was in the doubles encounter, but Yugoslavia sprang another surprise and Pitic and Puncce led R. C. Butler and F. H. D. Wilde 7-5, 6-3, 1-2 when a heavy rain-storm caused play to be abandoned.

If Yugoslavia win this match, they win the rubber and will meet Sweden, in the Third Round, the latter having eliminated Switzerland by 3 matches to 1.

In another Second Round match, at Marseilles, France eliminated Monaco by three clear matches.—Reuter.

The start to the Davis Cup tie between Italy and Poland had to be deferred, owing to rain, until late yesterday afternoon, when Italy secured the lead when Caneve defeated Hebda, of Poland, 6-1, 7-9, 6-2, 7-9, 6-2.

Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

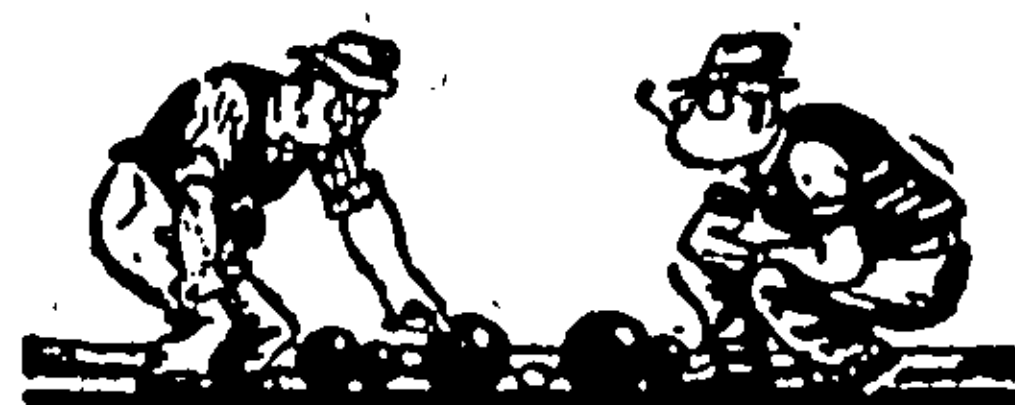
SENORITA LIZANA'S FOURTH WIN AT EDGBASTON

Senorita Anita Lizana won the women's singles at the Tally Ho! tournament at Edgbaston, yesterday, for the fourth time, but she was fully extended by Miss Freda James before winning by 7-5, 5-7, 6-3.

Senorita Lizana played the drop a lot, but Miss James cleverly counteracted this by playing a return drop with great effect. It was an excellent match in which Senorita Lizana had little to spare.

She was so tired that after she and Miss G. C. Hoaching had been beaten in the final of the women's doubles by Mrs. R. E. Haylock and Mrs. J. S. Kirk, the Leicestershire players, she and F. H. D. Wilde scratched in the final of the mixed doubles to D. W. Butler and Miss F. James.

Butler was at the top of his form when, in the final of the men's singles, he defeated his fellow Davis Cup possible, C. M. Jones, by 6-0, 6-4. He played a sound all-round game and his volleying was particularly good. C. E. Malfroy and Jones beat Wilde and Butler, in the final of the men's doubles, after three sets.



LAWN BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIPS START TO-DAY

Eight Pairs Games For Decision

The First Round matches in the Colony Open Pairs Lawn Bowls Championship will commence to-day, weather permitting, and several very good encounters are promised.

The First Round matches in the Open Rinks Championship will take place next Sunday on both sides of the harbour, and an excellent encounter is promised at Kowloon F.C. (not Kowloon Dock), where J. C. Brown, J. Watson, T. Coleman and R. Duncan (skip) meet R. P. Phillips, A. T. Lay, A. Hyde-Lay and E. W. Lines (skip).

The following is this week's programme of Open Pairs matches and next Sunday's programme of Open Rinks encounters:

OPEN PAIRS

TO-DAY

At Recreio

M. Y. Adal and A. R. Dallah v. E. W. Lines and R. Duncan.
A. T. Lay and A. Hyde-Lay v. F. Booker and R. Ellis.
J. M. Jack and V. C. Labrum v. Y. Baker and A. K. Minu.
J. Orem and W. Mair v. L. Jack and A. A. Dand.

At Civil Service

L. de Rome and G. T. Padgett v. A. Baker and A. K. Minu.
W. Gill and G. Duncan v. J. H. E. Edwards and G. Perkins.
W. Bagley and A. E. S. Alves v. A. E. Coates and R. Basa.
D. M. Khan and M. R. Abbas v. A. J. Coelho and J. Pau.

TO-MORROW

At Taikoo

F. Kelly and F. Nolan v. H. R. Cheesman and J. Henson.
J. E. Noronha and C. G. Silva v. J. Hoosen and A. R. Minu.
W. Warr and J. Cook v. W. Hodges and A. Brooksbank.
J. McGowan and J. Deakin v. J. Eastman and L. Bones.

At Bowling Green

F. Broadbridge and W. W. Hirst v. J. J. Riberio and J. J. Basto.
H. Gittins and Y. Abbas v. Dr. C. W. Lam and Dr. N. P. Karanjia.
H. G. Cooper and A. Calman v. A. Steven and J. A. R. Selby.
A. Spary and J. L. Stephens v. F. V. V. Riberio and H. A. Alves.

WEDNESDAY

At Kowloon C. C.

M. Ferguson and T. Coleman v. W. Campbell and A. Wright.
At H. K. Football Club
J. W. Leonard and J. R. Soares v. A. Castro and V. Atienza.

OPEN RINKS

SUNDAY, MAY 29

At Bowling Green

C. C. Pereira, O. P. Remedios, J. C. Remedios and E. de Souza v. C. Vas. E. M. Remedios, C. H. Basto and J. J. Basto (skip).

YESTERDAY'S LEAGUE BASEBALL

Recreio Unlucky

The two League baseball games yesterday provided direct contrast in excitement, for whereas the U.S.S. Mindanao were able to have the distinction of registering the first blank-out of the season, when they beat the Hong Kong Baseball Club by 16 runs to nil, the game between the Chinese and Recreio was very close and it was only in the last inning, following an error that the Chinese emerged winners by the odd run in five.

If the Volunteers had reason to bemoan their bad luck the previous day Recreio had infinitely more reason yesterday. Two runs scored in the second inning gave them a one run lead which they held till the end of sixth when the Chinese equalised.

LEFT HIS BASE

Pereira reached first on a hit at their last time at bat but very foolishly left his base and was tagged out.

Two errors by the Portuguese short stop permitted the Chinese to reach third base. Alvares, who had been pitching very useful ball, in his attempt to put the player out at third, threw wildly and thus the game was lost.

The Portuguese made several positional changes. Pereira taking over short stop with Alvares pitching, and A. V. Gosano at left field. These changes strengthened the team, but Pereira was guilty of poaching and missed two catches that might have easily been held by A. V. Gosano.

At Retrelo

J. S. Howell, G. S. Graver, A. W. Hodges and A. Brooksbank v. H. Gittins, J. L. Stephens, A. Spary and A. H. Basto (skip).

At Civil Service

R. P. Shaw, E. Strange, G. Duncan and W. Gill v. A. J. Coelho, S. Lillcrap, W. Bagley and A. E. S. Alves (skip).

At Kowloon F.C.

J. C. Brown, John Watson, T. Coleman and R. Duncan v. R. P. Phillips, A. T. Lay, A. Hyde-Lay and E. W. Lines (skip).

At Police R. C.

J. Soares, J. Leonard, L. C. R. Souza and C. S. Rossetlet (Holders) v. W. Penny, K. M. Omar, M. J. Medina and J. Cavanagh (skip).

At Kowloon C. C.

L. F. Xavier, C. Marques, F. V. V. Riberio and H. A. Alves v. L. Bones, J. Eastman, V. Petherick and T. Ferguson (skip).

At H. K. Football Club

W. Glendinning, L. Glendinning, F. Kelly and F. Nolan v. W. Howard, C. W. Lam, N. P. Karanjia and E. Zimmern (skip).

FARR FIGHT OFFER DENIED

A statement issued in New York by Tommy Farr's American manager, Joe Gould, and quoted in London, that a proposition had been made for Farr to meet Walter Neusel, the German heavy-weight, during the third week in May in the open air at Wembley, was denied at the Wembley offices.

The suggestion was that Gould, by making this announcement, was hoping to precipitate offers. Mr. Elvin himself refused to make any statement except that it was not true he had made an offer. He did not, however, deny that he was interested in a match or matches for Farr.

HARD-COURT TENNIS SEEDING A SECRET

London, April 21.

No official seeded list was issued when the draw for the British Hard-Court Championship at Bournemouth was announced yesterday, writes A. Wallis Myers, in the "Morning Post and Daily Telegraph." At Wimbledon, and at most championship meetings abroad, it is now customary to enumerate the seeded eight or four players. The L. T. A. have not followed this plan—why I have not been able to ascertain.

Perhaps it was thought that, as so many competitors had equal claims to seed rank, invidious distinctions might result. Or that,

since neither the Davis Cup team nor the Wightman Cup team has yet been chosen, any published order of merit would lead to premature heart-burnings.

However, seeding only very rarely affects the destiny of any title. It was first invented to separate invaders of the same nationality; to prevent that is, two travel-stained champions from playing a match in the first round which they might have decided on their home court thousands of miles away before they left.

It was really a gesture of hospitality, and, once the principle of the old blind draw had been aban-

M.C.C. MEMBERSHIP INCREASE

London, April 22.—The report of the M.C.C., to be presented at the annual meeting at Lord's on May 4, states that the membership in 1937 was 8,785, an increase of 129 over the previous year.

Improvements are being carried out at Lord's. New arbours have been built on the east side of the practice ground at a cost of £4,000, and this will enable a car park to be opened during the Oxford v. Cambridge and Eton v. Harrow matches.

done, a laudable one, Amateur lawn tennis may have its courtesies provided favours are evenly distributed.



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King's Message To Tourists

BRADMAN SPEAKS OF TEAM "CHOSEN ON STRICT MERIT"

Wishes For Enjoyment But Not For Success!

London, April 23.

THE Australian cricketers were given an enthusiastic welcome to England yesterday, when they were the guests of the London District of the Institute of Journalists at luncheon at the Cafe Royal, Regent-street, W.

The chairman, Mr. Norman Robson, read the following message from the King:

"THE KING THANKS ALL AT LUNCHEON FOR THEIR KIND AND LOYAL MESSAGE. HIS MAJESTY JOINS WITH THEM IN WELCOMING THE MEMBERS OF THE AUSTRALIAN CRICKET TEAM AND HOPES THAT THEIR FIRST SEASON IN THIS COUNTRY SINCE HIS ACCESSION MAY PROVE VERY ENJOYABLE FOR THEM."

Earl Baldwin sent the following message: "I send these few lines to welcome the Australian team to England. I very much wish I could have been at the luncheon to-day, and I remember with special pleasure the first of these lunches 12 years ago, at which my friend Barrie and I ventured to address you with as much trepidation as if we were facing your bowling."

"You can't expect me to wish you to win, but in every other way I wish you a happy and successful visit."

PRIVILEGE TO PLAY

Mr. D. G. Bradman, the captain, replying to the toast of "The Australian Cricket Team," proposed by Major the Hon. J. J. Astor, M.P., President of the M.C.C., said that if the reception he received in the first Test Match was as good as the one he had received that day he would be very happy.

He thanked Major Astor for his kind words of welcome and assured him that the members of the team fully appreciated everything he had said. "We are very anxious," he proceeded, "that throughout our tour you shall continue to think as well of us as you apparently do at this moment. We are indeed grateful for the kind messages from the King and Lord Baldwin; but it is very noticeable in each instance that, while they wish us an enjoyable tour, they do not wish us a successful tour. (Laughter.)"

MAY BE OMISSION!

"This may be an omission; but I should like to add that in our case it is not necessary to have a successful tour to have an enjoyable one. (Cheers.)" "It is a great privilege to us to be able to come to England to compete once again for the 'Ashes.' I think it was away back on June 1, 151 years ago, that the first cricket match was played at Lord's. It is an extraordinary tribute to a magnificent game that it is even more popular now than ever it was in its history."

NEW FACES IN TEAM

"This lunch to-day brings back to me, and to those who have been here before, sad memories of the absence of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who welcomed us on the last occasion. We are sorry indeed that he has since passed away."

"Cricketers have one thing in common with politicians: history will record whether Mr. MacDonald was a great politician, and history will record whether or not we are great cricketers."

"We come back to England with new faces," Mr. Bradman continued. "This team," he went on, "has not been chosen in any sense on sentiment, but on strict merit. We have heard that we are going to miss certain players whom we have left behind."

UNFAIR TO NEWCOMERS

"Possibly we shall; but possibly, also, that is a little unfair to the

men who have been selected and who have earned their selection against opposition."

"Although we have an extraordinarily young team—the oldest is 32—we have a strong, experienced side. Eight of them have been here before, and two others have had experience of international matches in South Africa."

SCOTLAND'S SOCCER TRIUMPH

Holland Beaten 3-1
But Go Down
Fighting

Amsterdam, To-day.

Scotland maintained their best traditions on the Continent, yesterday, when they defeated Holland by 3 goals to 1 in their Association Football clash here, before a tremendous gathering of 60,000 spectators. The match was held at the Olympic Stadium, venue of the 1928 Olympic Games.

The game was chock full of thrills and although the Scots were always masters of the situation, they could not afford to slacken off for one minute during the 90 minutes play, a fine tribute to the play of their hosts, who have made vast strides in this most popular of Continental games.

Black, Walker and Murphy scored for Scotland, while Holland replied through Vente, all the goals being scored in the second half, the first being goalless, the Dutch defenders giving a magnificent display.—Reuter.

SWEDEN NOT FOR 1940 GAMES

Stockholm, To-day.

Sweden will in all probability decline to participate in the Olympic games in Tokio in 1940, according to the leading Swedish sport journal "Idrottsbladet."

The reasons given are the Sino-Japanese conflict, the great distance and the high costs thereby entailed.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMANY ENTER THIRD ROUND OF DAVIS CUP

Berlin, To-day. — Germany yesterday entered the Third Round of the Davis Cup Competition when she eliminated Norway by three clear matches.

Germany will now meet Hungary in the Third Round. The interesting feature of the last day was the easy victory achieved by Germany's promising young player Rolf Goepfert, who beat Haanes, of Norway, in three straight sets. —Reuter.

SWITZERLAND'S FOOTBALL WIN OVER ENGLAND

Deserved Their Victory:
Two Penalties

Berne, To-day.

Switzerland yesterday deservedly defeated England by 2 goals to 1 in their Association Football clash here. This was England's first defeat at the hands of Switzerland, who recently only managed to share two goals with Germany!

There were 35,000 spectators present when England kicked off and, although conditions were strongly in favour of the visiting team, Switzerland secured the lead through Aebi, their outside-left, who in the seventh minute cut in to score a glorious opening goal.

England pressed hard from the resumption, but it was not till the 30th minute that Bastin, England's outside-left, managed to net the equaliser, and that from a penalty awarded against the Swiss team for a foul tackle in the "area." The interval arrived with the score at 1-1.

Switzerland continued to dominate the exchanges in the second half and eventually took the lead through a penalty in the 73rd minute of the game, awarded against one of the English defenders for handling in the "area." Abegglen had no difficulty in netting from the spot and the Swiss kept their English invaders out until the final whistle.—Reuter.

INTERESTING TENNIS FOR THIS WEEK

To-Day's Programme
Doubtful

Weather permitting, and this very doubtful, some interesting League Tennis should feature this week's programme, especially in the "A" Division to-morrow when Chinese Recreation Club, the holders, meet the much improved Indian Recreation Club team.

To-morrow's match will in all probability decide the championship.

The following is this week's programme:

To-day

MIXED DOUBLES

C.R.C. v. H.K.C.C.
C. de R. v. K.C.C. (A)
L.R.C. v. U.S.R.C.

Tuesday

"A" DIVISION

C.R.C. v. I.R.C.
C. de R. v. H.K.C.C.
U.S.R.C. v. K.C.C.

Wednesday

"B" DIVISION

H.K.C.C. v. C.R.C.
C.S.C.C. v. C. de R.
C.C.C. v. S.C.A.A.
H.K.U.T.C. v. K.I.T.C.
I.R.C. v. K.C.C.

Thursday

"C" DIVISION

A.T.C. v. K.T.G.C.A.
C.R.C. v. K.C.C.
C. de R. v. I.R.C.
C.C.C. v. H.K.U.T.C.

Friday

"D" DIVISION

R.S.C. v. A.T.C.
P.R.C. v. C.B.A.
K.T.G.C.A. v. C.R.C.
K.I.T.C. v. C. de R.
K.C.C. v. C.C.C.
I.R.C. v. C.S.C.C.

SCHROEDER'S

GREAT

RECOVERY

Stockholm, To-day.

Sweden defeated Switzerland in their Davis Cup tie here yesterday, when in the first match of the third day's play Karl Schroeder beat Maneff 3-6, 1-6, 6-2, 6-4, 6-2, which gave Sweden a 3-1 lead and victory.

In the next round Sweden will meet the victor of the tie Yugoslavia-England.—Trans-Ocean.

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12.00-12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m.—Lucienne Boyer (Soprano) And The Orchestre Raymonde. Careless Rapture—Selection (Ivor Novello) Orchestre. La Barque D'Yves (J. H. Tranchant) Lucienne Boyer. Solitude (Laurent and Carcel). Lucienne Boyer. A Musical Snuff Box (Liadow). Parade Of The City Guards (Jessel). Orchestre. Dancing With My Darling (From 'Continental Varieties'). This Is The Kiss Of Romance (From 'Continental Varieties'). Lucienne Boyer. Tritsch, Tratsch—Polka (J. Strauss). The Grand Duchess—Galop (Offenbach).

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Roy Fox And His Orchestra. Don't Ever Change—Fox-Trot (From 'Rhythm In The Clouds'). You're A Sweetheart—Fox-Trot (From the Film). My First Love Song—Waltz (From 'Queen Of Hearts'). Souvenir Of Love—Fox-Trot (From 'Sailing Along'). Trusting My Luck—Fox-Trot (From 'Sailing Along'). The Cross-Eyed Cowboy on the Cross-Eyed Horse—Fox-Trot. Silvery Moon And Golden Sands—Fox-Trot.

But Where Are You—Fox-Trot (From 'Follow The Fleet'). Let's Face The Music And Dance (From 'Follow The Fleet'). 1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—Variety Programme. Chorus and Orch.—Snow White And The Seven Dwarfs (Vocal Gems from the Walt Disney Film). Chorus and Orchestra directed by Jay Wilbur.

Two Pianos—Passepied (Intro: Scherzo from 'Sylvia'). Destiny—Waltz (Baynes—Arr. Alleyne—Leonhardt). Alleyne and Leonhardt on two pianos. Orch. with Organ—Lulworth (Cover (Shadwell). Seville ('Cities of Romance')—Haydn Wood). The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra Conductor: Charles Shad-

well with Reginald Foort at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.

Humorous—Music. Grub.

Murgatroyd and Winterbottom (Two minds with not a single thought) With Monte Crick at the Piano.

Organ—Medley.

Robinson Cleaver at the Organ of the Regal Cinema, Bexley Heath.

Vocal—

The Whiffenpoof Song (Minnigerode, Pomeroy and Galloway). Rudy Vallee and Male Quartette with Carroll Gibbons and His Orch. (Pianist: Daniel Eliot).

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—'Topical Gazette.'

A fortnightly review of things at Home. Presented by Pascoe Thornton.

7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.32 p.m.—Harold Ramsay (Organ), Kitty Masters And Turner Layton. When The Harvest Moon Is Shining (Wilfred and Swaine). Turner Layton.

Six Great Melodies.

Harold Ramsay at the Wurlitzer Organ of the Regal Cinema, Kingston.

When The Swallows Nest Again (Stevens and Edmund).

Sweetheart, Let's Grow Old Together (Bratton and Edwards).

Kitty Masters.

September In The Rain (From 'Melody For Two').

Old Plantation Turner Layton.

Popular Melodies.

Harold Ramsay at the Wurlitzer Organ of the Regal Cinema, Kingston.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—A Recital by Gaston D'Aquino (Tenor) accompanied by E. O'Neil Shaw (Piano).

1. Addio Mignon.

2. Have You Seen But A Whyte Lilye (Diack) D'Aquino.

3. Piano Solo. E. O'Neil Shaw.

4. Aquella Moca. (Freitas Braneo).

5. Music Of The Night. (Eric Coates) D'Aquino.

8.23 p.m.—Orchestral.

Slavonic Dance No. 16 In A Flat Major (Dvorak).

Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Vaclav Talich.

8.30 p.m.—London Relay—'Empire Exchange.'

Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and Colonies.

8.45 p.m.—Songs by Maria Olczewska (Contralto).

Die Mainacht (Brahms).

Sapphische Ode (Brahms).

Nur Wer Die Sehnsucht Kennt (Tchaikovsky).

8.55 p.m.—Tchaikovsky—Concerto No. 1 In B Flat Minor, Op. 23.

Played by Arthur Rubinstein (Piano) and The London Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m.—Songs by Stuart Robertson (Baritone).

Myself When Young ('In A Persian Garden')—Lehmann).

Silent Noon (Vaughan Williams).

That Song In My Heart (From 'The Gang Show')—Reader).

10.00 p.m.—London Relay—'In Town To-Night.'

10.30 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Julika! Czardas.

Hungarian Fox-Trot—Play, Gypsy, Play!

George Boulanger And His Orch.

Tangos—Jingle Bells.

Twilight.

E. Bohr's Argentine Tango Orch.

Fox-Trots—

I Don't Like (From 'Keep Fit').

Do-De-O-Doh.

Nat Gonella and His Georgians with vocal refrain by Nat Gonella.

I Never Knew.

Don't You Care What Anyone Says.

Teddy Foster And His Kings Of Swing with vocal refrain by Teddy Foster.

Waltz—Moon At Sea.

You Needn't Have Kept It A Secret.

Ronnie Munro and His Orchestra with vocal refrain.

11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

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G.M.T.

5.00 a.m.—Big Ben. 'In Town To-night.'

5.30 a.m.—'Is There Life on Other Planets?' A talk by the Astronomer Royal, H. Spencer Jones.

5.45 a.m.—'Milestones of Melody.' With Geraldo and his Concert Orchestra.

6.50 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 7.00 a.m.

7.15 a.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 2

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10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. Purcell's Theatre Music.

11.00 a.m.—'Topical Gazette.' A fortnightly review of things at Home.

11.30 a.m.—The BBC Northern Ireland Orchestra.

12.30 p.m.—'Empire Exchange.' Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and the Colonies.

12.45 p.m.—'The Adventures of Jack and Jill' (Episode 3): 'The Salvation of Sholto.' A series of musical plays.

1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.

1.57 p.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 3

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1.57 p.m.—Opening Announcements.

2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. 'In Town To-night.'

2.30 p.m.—Selections from Messenger's Operettas.

3.00 p.m.—Pianoforte Recital by Edmund Rubbra.

3.30 p.m.—'Friends to Tea.' A vest-pocket vaudeville.

4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.

4.20 p.m.—'It Happens Every Day' (Third Edition). A revue.

5.00 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Sacrifice Plays

North, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S.—A 8 6 5
H.—3
D.—A K Q J 7 5
C.—A 4

WEST

S.—J 10 7 4
H.—2
D.—10 9 8 6 4 3 2
C.—7

EAST

S.—K 3 2
H.—A K 6 5 4
D.—None
C.—K 10 9 8 6

SOUTH

S.—Q 9
H.—Q J 10 9 8 7
D.—None
C.—Q J 5 3 2

The bidding:
North East South West
1 diamond 1 heart Double Pass
2 no trump Pass 3 hearts Pass
3 no trump Pass 4 clubs Pass
4 diamonds Pass 4 hearts Pass
Pass Pass

Not often is a player called upon to perform two sacrifice plays in one hand. That was East's fate in this hand, however, and he rose nobly to the occasion.

West, thinking that there was a good chance that East could ruff

an opening diamond lead, led the diamond ten. Dummy played an honour. East duly ruffed but, to his annoyance, saw declarer overruff. The heart queen was led, taken with the king, and at this point East made the first of his brilliant "dummy-killing" plays. Realising that declarer would get three discards on the diamond suit if dummy's entries were permitted to remain intact, East laid down the spade king. Dummy's ace won. Declarer returned to his own hand with the spade queen, to lead a second trump. East's ace took this, and now East kept up the good work, by laying down the club king! This play was too much for declarer. On winning with dummy's ace, there was nothing he could do to avert disaster. It was futile to discard on a high diamond. East would merely ruff. Hoping against hope that clubs would break, declarer led a club to the queen. West's failure to follow suit blighted declarer's last hope, and there was nothing to it but to concede East the two club tricks that he had fought so hard to preserve.

The plays that East was forced to make to defeat the contract are known as "Deschappelles coups," and it is rare indeed when two of them are found in the same hand.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE ORIENTAL—"The Firefly." Jeanette MacDonald has a new singing sweetheart in the person of Allan Jones in this filmisation of the celebrated Otto Harbach-Rudolf Friml operetta. Allan Jones plays his most important screen role as the dashing Don Diego who pursues the elusive "Firefly" throughout a series of turbulent romantic adventures in this new musical hit. The supporting cast includes Warren William, Billy Gilbert and Douglas Dumbrill.

AT THE KING'S—"The Bad Man Of Brimstone", with Wallace Berry, Virginia Bruce, Lewis Stone, Guy Kibbee and Joseph Calleia. Portraying in graphic detail the manner in which law and order came to the lawless town of Brimstone. The cast is well chosen and the picture offers comedy, romance and a gripping drama.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Ready, Willing And Able." Rugby Keeler, Lee Dixon, Allen Jenkins, Louise Fazenda, Ross Alexander, Carol Hughes, Winni Shaw, Teddy Hart and Hugh O'Connell. Romancing girl meets dancing boy in a swing-lined jamboree of fun.

AT THE STAR—"The Key", with William Powell, Colin Clive and Edna Best.—A strange triangular love drama set in the background of the seething cauldron of the Irish rebellion.

AT THE QUEEN'S AND ALHAMBRA—"Hollywood Hotel."—A smart musicale with Dick Powell, Hugh Herbert, Alan Mowbray, the Lane Sisters and Johnnie Davis.



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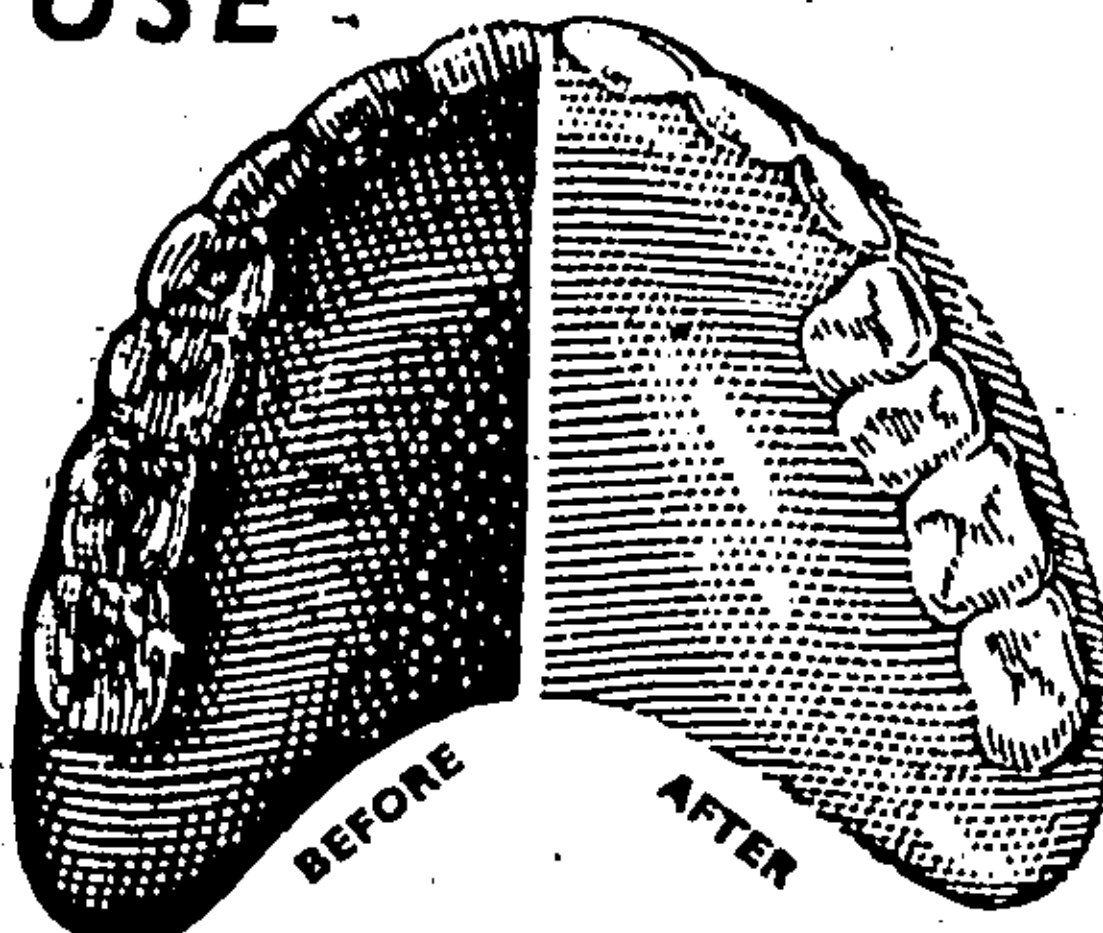
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NEGOTIATIONS RESUMED IN PRAGUE

Prague, To-day.

Negotiations between the Czecho-Slovakian Government and the Sudeten German Party were resumed yesterday when the two leading Sudeten German Deputies, Herr Karl Frank and Herr Neuirth had an interview with Dr. Milan Hodza, the Czech Premier.

At the same time, the members of the Czech Cabinet were in a constant touch with one another although no further cabinet meeting was held.

Well-informed circles here describe the situation as a whole yesterday evening as "still grave and critical."

The partial mobilisation is being continued.

It is understood that the two Sudeten German Deputies drew the attention of Dr. Hodza to the grave situation brought about by the measures taken by the Government in the Sudeten German region.

Dr. Hodza promised to revoke a number of restrictive measures during the next few days excepting the measure with regard to the employment of the Czech National Guard. It is also understood that the Sudeten German Deputies called Dr. Hodza's attention to the unjustifiable movement of Czech

LONDON THE FOCAL POINT

LONDON, TO-DAY.

LONDON IS FOCAL POINT OF THE INTENSE DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY WHICH HAS BEEN SET GOING IN ALL CHIEF EUROPEAN CAPITALS AS RESULT OF THE SERIOUS HAPPENINGS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

The Sunday meeting of the Cabinet was the first since Mr. Eden's resignation.

The Foreign Secretary had interviews with the German Ambassador, von Dirksen, and with the French Ambassador.

Although official quarters are preserving reticence with regard to the course and outcome of this Cabinet meeting, the discussion certainly revolved around the prospects of mediatory action to take a more optimistic view of the situation than was possible on Saturday. The general impression is that the tension has ceased to a certain extent.

Despatches from Prague reaching London indicate that conditions in Czechoslovakia have calmed down somewhat and polling in yesterday's municipal elections was conducted in orderly fashion.—Trans-Ocean.

troops into the Sudeten German districts and they claimed for the Sudeten German Party the right to maintain order in their own territory themselves.—Trans-Ocean.

BIG BATTLE RESUMED ON TERUEL FRONT

MADRID, TO-DAY.

BIG-SCALE OPERATIONS HAVE BEEN RESUMED ON THE TERUEL FRONT WITH THE FAVOURABLE WEATHER.

A Republican communique claims that loyalist troops repulsed an insurgent attack east of Teruel, when 250 insurgents were killed in bayonet-fighting near Alcala de la Selva.

The Balaguer-Tremp road, the main line of the insurgent communications with the Pyrenees front, has been cut.

In Salamanca, an insurgent communique claims the repulse of a big Republican attack in the Balaguer sector, with a loss of 350 dead. Twelve Russian tanks were put out of action.

The insurgents have captured Corbalan and are in complete possession of the Teruel-Cantavieja road.—Reuter.

GREAT FLOOD DISASTER IN AUSTRIA

VIENNA, TO-DAY.

MANY FATALITIES ARE FEARED AS THE RESULT OF THE RIVER MUR, IN STYRIA AND CARINTHIA BURSTING ITS BANKS IN WHAT IS DESCRIBED AS THE GREATEST FLOOD DISASTER IN AUSTRIAN HISTORY.

All traffic between Austria and Yugo-Slavia is reported to have been stopped, and bridges have broken down.

The disaster is stated to have been due to the sudden melting of snow followed by excessive rain.

The country north of Graz is said to be "one wide brown stream."

Many houses in Forhnleiden were swept away and 27 people are marooned in one house.—Reuter.

Hitherto thirteen are dead and 5,000 homeless in the flood disaster in Styria and Carinthia.—Reuter.

GERMANY ORDERING ADVISERS TO LEAVE

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hardly any fighting in the immediate vicinity. The retiring troops broke through the investing Japanese armies on the southern Tientsin-Pukow front almost at will, without any loss, and have taken up new positions according to pre-arranged plans.

"The orderly nature of the retreat, now confirmed by Reuter's correspondent with the Japanese armies at the front, sets at nought previous fantastic Japanese claims of fifty Chinese divisions trapped around Hsuehchow. There was no rout with tremendous loss of men and material such as occurred in the retreat from Shanghai and Nanking; instead the Chinese armies have learnt to manoeuvre with disciplined precision over the vast chess board."—Central News.

JAPANESE ADMISSION Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese spokesman today admitted that several divisions of Chinese troops, claimed to have been trapped south-east of Hsuehchow, have succeeded in forcing their way through the Japanese net westwards towards the rest of the Chinese armies.—Reuter.

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